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# PREFACE

TO

## THE FIRST EDITION.

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THE present volume is intended to facilitate the daily work of the busy practitioner; and especially to help him in successfully managing such cases of disease as do not yield to treatment so readily as might be desired. The student who wishes to learn the nature of the tools with which he will have to work, and the best mode of employing them, must seek for this information in other treatises. But it is hoped that the actual labourer, who has employed his customary weapons and finds himself baffled, will receive useful suggestions from the following pages.

In constructing the various articles of which this Index is composed, the Author has endeavoured by giving a brief description of each disease to make its diagnosis sure. With regard to the sections on Treatment, it is to be remembered that the numbers appended to the drugs not only refer to the Formulæ, but indicate those remedies on which it is believed that reliance should be chiefly placed. As a rule, however, most of the agents which have been recommended by different authorities are mentioned; although where they are not deemed particularly useful either no reference is given for the mode in which they are to be prescribed, or they are placed in a separate paragraph.

## PREFACE.

It is only necessary to add that the Formulæ have been reprinted from the last edition of the Author's *Practice of Medicine*, with a few alterations and additions. Each prescription has been written in accordance with the rules and preparations of the British Pharmacopœia,—a work which the practitioner will esteem the more highly, the more attentively he studies its pages.

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PREFACE

TO

THE SECOND EDITION.

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A NEW edition of the Index has been urgently demanded for some time. In its preparation, the plan and objects of the Author have been constantly borne in mind, and while every section has been carefully revised and considerable alterations made, these have only been such as were required in order to incorporate new knowledge, or to render diagnosis more definite. There has thus been no change, either in principles or in method, and it is hoped that the volume will continue to serve effectually the purpose for which it was originally designed.

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**ACHOLIA.**—From 'A, privative; *χολή*, bile. Synon. *Absence of Bile.*—Arrest of the functions of the liver; so that matters from which bile is formed accumulate in the blood, producing toxæmia. It arises in certain diseases of liver, such as acute atrophy, impermeability of the bile ducts, cirrhosis, extensive cancer, fatty degeneration, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Abnormal states of nervous system. Excitement. Noisy delirium. Convulsions. Typhoid prostration. Coma. Hæmorrhage from stomach and bowels. Ecchymoses. Jaundice (in a few instances).

**TREATMENT.** Active purgatives. Croton oil, 168, 191. Podo-phyllin, 160. Benzoic acid, 49. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378.—See *Hepatic Atrophy*.

**ACINESIA.**—From 'Α, priv.; κίνησις, motion. Synon. *Immobilitas*; *Eremia*.—Paralysis of motion.—See *Paralysis*.

**ACNE.**—Perhaps a corruption of 'Ακμή, pimples on the face at the age of puberty; or from 'Α, priv., and κνέω, to itch, because there is an absence of irritation. Synon. *Gutta Rosacea*; *Copper Nose*; *Stonepock*.—A chronic tubercular skin affection, the seat of which appears to be the sebaceous follicles of skin; characterized by small isolated pustules, with deep red bases. These pustules, after suppurating and bursting, leave behind them minute and hard red tumours.

**VARIETIES.** Three kinds,—*acne simplex*, *acne indurata*, and *acne rosacea*: characteristic distinctions indicated by their names. *Acne simplex* and *acne indurata* common about puberty; pimples appear on forehead or sides of cheeks; are very protracted and frequently leave indelible cicatrices. *Acne rosacea* attacks the nose, is apparently rather an affection of the skin generally than of the glands: often connected with stomach or liver disease: mostly seen in persons of advanced years, especially if they have been *bons vivants*, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to digestive and uterine functions. Arsenic, 52. Creasote. Corrosive sublimate. Green iodide of mercury. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Solution of potash. Cod liver oil.—Warm bathing. Iodide of sulphur ointment. Calomel ointment. Red iodide of mercury ointment. Application of acid nitrate of mercury to individual spots. In *acne rosacea* division of the varicose vessels by transverse incisions with a fine sharp knife; at the end of a few minutes painting the nose with tincture of perchloride of iron, so as to produce obliteration of the vessels and contraction of the hypertrophied skin. Removal of the thickened skin has been practised.

**ADDISON'S DISEASE.**—A peculiar degeneration of the supra-renal capsules. According to Addison the prominent symptoms were a bronze discoloration of the skin and incurable progressive and ultimately fatal anæmia.—See *Supra-Renal Capsular Disease*.

**ADENITIS.**—From 'Αδὴν, a gland; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Phlegmasia Glandulosa*.—Inflammation of the lymphatic glands may accompany disease of lymphatic vessels, or it occurs independently. Simple adenitis common after eruptive fevers. Tubercular adenitis very frequently met with in strumous subjects.

**SYMPTOMS.** *Acute form*:—Feeling of malaise: slight chills: symptomatic fever. One or more glands become swollen, hot, hard, tender, painful. As tumefaction increases, skin over gland becomes red or livid. If convoluted tubes get obstructed, surrounding tissues rendered œdematous. Unless resolution occur, or acute stage subsides into chronic, suppuration takes place: abscess forms in interior of gland, or in surrounding areolar tissue.

*Chronic variety*.—Induration with persistent enlargement. Pain and heat slight. Skin retains its natural colour. Areolar tissue unaffected, so that gland remains movable.

*Strumous adenitis*.—Usually chronic. Glands of neck, and those about base and angle of lower jaw, more frequently affected than any others. Subjects of this form are especially young children, though it is not a rare affection of strumous adults. Rarely any premonitory symptoms: first indication of the disease an indolent swelling of one or more glands. If mischief increase, and especially if there be a tendency to suppuration, system suffers considerably: the already weak patient becomes irritable and restless, tongue gets furred, pulse quick and feeble, bowels costive, appetite fails, urine scanty and loaded with urates. Where general health is very bad, inflamed glands rapidly undergo disorganization; surrounding areolar tissue and skin get involved; extensive indolent ulcers result. When lymphatic glands of the mesentery are affected with strumous inflammation, a special form of disease is set up (*Tabes Mesenterica*).—For Syphilitic adenitis, see *Bubo*. Malignant adenitis, see *Cancer*.

**TREATMENT.** Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Sulphide of potassium or calcium. Chlorate of potash, 61. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Iodide of ammonium and bark, 38. Phosphate of iron, 405. Cod liver oil. Bromide of ammonium. Hydrochlorate of ammonia. Conium. Iodide of iron. Corrosive sublimate. Red iodide of mercury. Nourishing food: milk or cream. Sea air.—Water dressing. Iodine liniment. Diluted red iodide of mercury ointment. Iodide of lead ointment. Injections into substance of the glands of solutions of iodine and iodide of potassium, or of acetic acid.

**ADENOMA.**—Malignant. Synon. *Lymphadenoma*; *Hodgkin's Disease*. A disease in which the lymphatic glands become enlarged by increase of glandular structure.

**SYMPTOMS.** Gradual painless enlargement of nearly all the lymphatic glands. Glands of neck, axilla, groins symmetrically enlarged, not inflamed or fused together; thoracic and abdominal glands also affected. Patient weak, loses flesh, soon out of breath on exertion; frequently there is an excess of white corpuscles in the blood. There may be symptoms of pressure on root of lung or other structures in chest or abdomen. Gradually increasing debility.

No treatment of any avail in advanced stages; arsenic or phosphorus worth a trial early. Strength to be sustained by nourishing food, cod liver oil, &c.

**AGALACTIA.**—From 'A, priv.; γάλα, milk. Synon. *Defectus Lactis*; *Oligogalactia*.—A diminution or complete absence of milk in nursing women. May be caused by general weakness of constitution; long-continued mental anxiety; exhausting disease; general plethora; acute or chronic disease of breast or nipples; torpor of the mammae; return of menstruation while suckling; approach of change of life.

Unless cured, infant must be weaned to prevent its suffering from insufficient nourishment. See F. 427.

**AGRAPHIA.**—From 'Α, priv.; γραφή, writing. Loss of the power of expressing ideas in writing. Most commonly a part of Aphasia (which see), but sometimes independently. Seat of lesion not known.

**AGUE.**—From the French *Aigu*, acute.—See *Intermittent Fever*.

**ALCOHOLISM.**—Alcohol is a poison which especially affects the nervous centres and liver. In a large dose it may destroy life immediately.—See *Delirium Tremens*; *Dipsomania*; *Poisons*.

**ALOPECIA.**—From 'Αλώπηξ, a fox,—because this animal is said to be liable to baldness. Synon. *Capillorum Defluvium*; *Lapsus Pilorum*; *Baldness*; *Calvities* (*Calvus*, bald).—Loss of hair may be temporary or permanent. Senile calvities usually takes place gradually: hair first becomes thin on crown of head, or on temples and forehead. A consequence of general loss of power: hair follicles participate in general weakening of nutritive functions. As follicular apparatus gets destroyed, the loss is generally irremediable.

In baldness occurring from debility, hæmorrhages, fevers, tuberculosis, syphilis, &c., the hair follicles remain entire, though inactive. Such cases generally curable.

**TREATMENT.** Nourishing food. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil. Scalp to be well brushed: to be washed with cold water every morning. Hairs which are withered and split to be cut off close to scalp. Blisters. Ammonia and cantharides liniment, 287. Cantharides, castor oil, balsam of tolu, &c., 287. Iodide of sulphur ointment, 310. Creosote and sulphur ointment, 311. Diluted iodine liniment. Diluted liniment of cantharides. Solution of ammonia. Liniment of turpentine and acetic acid. Balsam of Peru. Glycerine. Oil of rosemary (*Oleum Rosmarini*). Oil of marjoram (*Oleum Origanum*).

**ALOPECIA AREATA.**—Synon. *Tinea Decalvans*. A disease in which the hair falls off in patches, leaving the skin peculiarly smooth and thin; hair roots wasted. Cause uncertain, whether parasitic or neurosal. Very obstinate; sometimes every hair of body lost: eyebrows, whiskers, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Blistering fluid; stimulant ointments or liniments. Good food; arsenic; tonics.

**AMAUROSIS.**—From 'Αμαυρω, to obscure. Synon. *Gutta serena*.—Partial or complete loss of vision from disease of retina, optic nerve, or brain. *Reflex amaurosis* due to remote causes, irritation of teething, intestinal worms, ovarian or uterine disease, pregnancy, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Patient's gait and expression of countenance attract attention. He walks with an air of uncertainty: his eyes, instead of being directed towards surrounding objects, have an unmeaning look—



appear to be staring at nothing, or are in constant rapid motion (*nystagmus*). In incomplete amaurosis, movements of iris sluggish and pupil dilated: in total blindness, pupil greatly dilated and iris immovable. When both eyes are affected they are often unnaturally prominent and of an unhealthy colour: sclerotica frequently of a yellow hue, and covered with varicose vessels.—Ophthalmoscope generally reveals either optic neuritis, or atrophy, or retino-choroidal changes—blood extravasations in retina or choroid; or effusions of serum between retina and choroid; or irregular patches of black pigment scattered over retina, or yellowish spots (fatty degeneration); or optic disc enlarged and irregular in outline, or surrounded by dusky halo, or of an extreme whiteness (from atrophy) with chronic congestion of retina. Atrophy may be secondary to neuritis or primary, in the latter case often attributed with much probability to tobacco.

In commencement, failure of sight only experienced occasionally, as after long-continued exertion of the eyes, reading by candlelight, &c. Sometimes it begins with indistinct vision—*amblyopia*; or objects appear double—*diplopia*; or only one-half of an object may be seen—*hemipopia*. At the same time, frequently headache: ocular spectra become visible, patient complaining of *muscæ volitantes*.

Another form of partial blindness is that in which patient can only see in broad daylight, being blind during remainder of twenty-four hours. This complaint—*hemeralopia*—usually met with in those who have been exposed to strong glaring light of tropics. In *nyctalopia*, converse condition of hemeralopia, vision most acute during twilight.

**TREATMENT.** Difficult to lay down rules, since the causes are so various and opposite. In all instances, attention to general health. Each case then to be studied in all its bearings, especially with reference to the cause. When manifestly resulting from reflected irritation of worms, decayed teeth, &c., treatment obvious. When from inflammation,—strict quiet, warm baths, and low diet may be necessary: iodide of potassium; aconite; calomel? When from syphilis—iodide of potassium; mercury. When from vascular exhaustion or nervous debility,—preparations of iron, bark, good diet, sea air, and cold bathing. Strychnia injected into the temples in some few examples, may stimulate a torpid optic nerve into action: must be used with great caution. Electricity acts in same way. Counter-irritants behind ears, or to nape of neck, or to shaven scalp. Where there is degeneration of optic nerve all remedies useless.—Avoidance of intemperance, tobacco, and sexual excesses. Not unlikely that smoking has some influence in causing degeneration of the optic nerve.

**AMBLYOPIA.**—From *Ἀμβλῦς*, obtuse or dull; *ὤψ*, the eye. Synon. *Diminished Acuteness of Retinal Perception*.—Weakness of sight from disease of brain, of optic nerve, or of retinal expansion of optic nerve.—See *Amaurosis*.

**AMENORRHEA.**—From *Ἄ*, priv.; *μήν*, a month; *ῥέω*, to flow.—An absence of the menstrual flow. Two varieties:—

**1. Retention of Menses.**—The catamenia are secreted, but do not escape externally. May arise from occlusion of vagina; from an imperforate os uteri. Menses accumulate in uterine cavity, forming in time an appreciable abdominal tumour. An outlet must be made for the menstrual accumulation by very cautiously incising or puncturing obstructing membrane. If no spot or dimple, marking site where os uteri should exist, can be found, it may be necessary to puncture uterus through rectum. Antiseptic injections to be employed afterwards. All such operations attended with danger.

**2. Suppression of Menses.**—Most common form of amenorrhœa. The flux having been properly established, and having appeared regularly for a longer or shorter time, becomes prematurely arrested.

May occur suddenly, while discharge is on, from mental shock, setting in of acute disease, exposure to damp or cold. Or takes place gradually; flow not returning at proper time, or becoming less and less for several periods and then entirely stopping. More constitutional disturbance in abrupt than gradual suppression. Latter most to be feared, as often indicative of more serious cause (severe anæmia, phthisis, albuminuria, &c.). Care necessary not to overlook pregnancy.

**TREATMENT.** *If there be plethora:*—Nitric acid, taraxacum, and senna, 147. Aloes, senna, and sulphate of magnesia, 150. Gamboge, aloes, and blue pill, 174. Podophyllin and aloes, 422. Nitre, spirit of juniper and nitrous ether, 221. Iodine. Iodide of potassium, 31. Aloes and savin pessary, 423. Enema of aloes. Bromide of potassium and cantharides, 422. Ergot of rye. Hot hip baths. Mustard pediluvia. Three or four leeches, repeated at intervals, to cervix uteri. Sinapisms to breast. Turkish baths. Simple diet. Avoidance of stimulants. *If there be anæmia:*—Steel and aloes, 154, 393, 404. Steel and ammonia, 401. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and pepsine, 394. Spirit of juniper and acid tartrate of potash, 219. Oil of juniper, 229. Iodide of iron, 32. Iodide of iron and nux vomica, 421. Tincture of actæa racemosa. Oil of rue and ergot of rye, 422. Valerianate of steel, savin, and assafœtida, 421. Mustard pediluvia. Galvanism. Nourishing food. Brandy; gin; wine; stout. Waters of Spa, Ems, Schwalbach.

**AMNESIA.**—From 'A, priv.; *μνήσις*, remembrance. Synon. *Oblivio; Memoria Deleta.*—Forgetfulness, or loss of memory. The term is often applied to a form of aphasia. A prominent symptom in certain cerebral diseases, &c.

**AMYLOID DEGENERATION.**—From *Amylum*, starch; *Degenero*, to degenerate.—The liver, spleen, and kidneys occasionally undergo a degeneration, which has been described as *Amyloid, Lardaceous, Waxy, Albuminous Infiltration*; nature and seat of morbid change ascertained by Virchow (1854–1859). In the human body two allied, but not identical substances:—

(1) Bodies which, in form and chemical properties, are analogous

to real vegetable starch, being round or oval, presenting concentric layers—*e.g.* the little corpora amylacea of nervous system; laminated bodies found in prostate of every adult man, and which sometimes form prostatic concretions; and rare forms of a similar kind which occur in certain conditions of lungs.

(2) In foregoing cases the starch-like matter lies *between* the elements of the tissues. Very different are those cases where there is a degeneration of the tissues themselves,—the deposited material here albuminoid and not starchy. The change begins in the capillary walls and in muscular fibre-cells of small arteries: walls of vessels get gradually thickened, while their calibre diminishes. Then the morbid process involves surrounding anæmic parenchyma; extending until whole tissue in neighbourhood of arteries is altered. Several organs are generally invaded simultaneously, and rendered incapable of performing their functions. Patients gradually assume a cachectic, broken-down appearance; lose flesh and strength; dropsy often supervenes; urine gets albuminous if kidneys be affected; diarrhœa sets in when digestive tract is involved; and in spite of remedies death soon takes place.

When liver, spleen, or kidneys are organs affected, an unpractised eye may fail to detect alteration in structure unless there be an extreme amount of disease, when they are large, firm, heavy, and on section glistening. When a liver is incised where amyloid degeneration is far advanced, a feeling is communicated like that experienced on passing a knife through wax: cut surface presents a semi-transparent appearance. The gland is increased in size; has some resemblance to a fatty liver, but its greater weight and firmness on handling distinguish it. If disease be very extensive, no trace of normal structure can be distinguished, though in an earlier stage the lobules are seen distinctly mapped out, owing to the matter being deposited within the lobule and in and among secreting cells.

Amyloid degeneration rarely exists alone, but is most commonly met with as a secondary consequence of prolonged suppuration, tuberculosis, disease of bones, and syphilis. Thus, in phthisis, this form of hepatic disease is probably more common than fatty liver; while sometimes amyloid and fatty degeneration occur together. So frequently has amyloid degeneration been found connected with caries or necrosis, that it was thought the osseous disease exercised some determining influence on its production, but amyloid degeneration is as frequently associated with phthisis and syphilis as with bone disease. So it was considered that Bright's disease was often associated with amyloid degeneration, until the discovery that the former was sometimes merely a symptom of the latter affecting kidneys. It has been supposed to be caused by the abstraction of potash salts from the blood.—See *Hepatic Degenerations; Renal Degenerations, &c.*

**ANASARCA.**—From *ἄνδ*, through; *σάρξ*, the flesh. Synon. *Hydrops Cellularis Totius Corporis; Hydrosarca; General Dropsy.* —The more or less general accumulation of serum in the meshes of

the areolar tissue throughout the body. May arise from heart disease or kidney disease, occasionally from disease of lung.

TREATMENT. According to disease by which it is caused. Compound jalap powder. Compound scammony powder. Elaterium, 157. Acid tartrate of potash, 228. *Chimaphila umbellata*, 221. *Digitalis* and squills, 219. Oil or spirit of juniper, 229. *Colchicum*. Tartrated iron.

Warm bath. Turkish bath. Bloodletting. Dry cupping to loins. Acupuncture. Issues.—See *Edema*; *Dropsy*.

**ANÆMIA.**—From 'A, priv.; *αἷμα*, blood. Synon. *Exæmia*; *Spanæmia*; *Hydræmia*; *Oligæmia*.—Deficiency or poverty of blood. The red globules, instead of existing in the proportion of 130 per 1000 parts of blood, as in health, are reduced to 80, 60, or even less. The liquor sanguinis is also poor in albumen, and may contain an excess of salts.

SYMPTOMS. A pale, waxy, blanched appearance of integuments and mucous membranes. Feeble, rapid pulse. Anorexia. Aortic and pulmonary systolic murmurs. Bruit de diable in jugular veins. Enlargement of thyroid. Proptosis oculi. Attacks of fainting. Palpitation and dyspnoea. Oedema, and dropsical effusions into pleura, pericardium, or peritoneum. Amenorrhœa. Occasionally, fatal syncope or coma.

TREATMENT. Iron, 380, 392, 393, 404, 412. Chemical food, 405. Bark, 371, 376. Manganese. Arsenic, 381, 399. Phosphorus, 417. Aloetic aperients, with or without steel, 148, 393, 404. Pepsine, 394, 420. Peroxide of hydrogen increases the power of ferruginous tonics. Inhalation of oxygen. Alkaline hypophosphites. Nourishing food:—Milk; raw eggs; brandy and egg mixture, 17; restorative soup, raw meat, 2; essence of beef, 1; malt flour, &c., as in Liebig's food, 5; fish; poultry; roast beef and mutton; bitter ale; wine. Cod liver oil, 389. Sea air. Mineral waters of Spa. Schwalbach. Brukenau. Franzensbad.—See *Chlorosis*.

**ANÆMIA, Essential or Pernicious.**—A form of anæmia usually coming on without assignable cause in middle life, especially in women. Bloodlessness extreme, and corpuscles not only few in number but deformed. The pallor accompanied by peculiar yellow, sallow appearance of face. Patient liable to attacks of feverishness, and to gastric and intestinal derangement. Often plump and fat to the last.

TREATMENT.—Iron useless. Best remedies arsenic and phosphorus.

**ANÆSTHESIA.** From 'A, priv.; *αἰσθάνομαι*, to feel. Synon. *Analgesia*.—Paralysis of sensibility.—See *Paralysis*.

**ANGEIOLEUCITIS.**—From *Αγγεῖον*, a vessel; *λευκός*, white; terminal-itis. Synon. *Lymphangitis*; *Inflammatio Vasorum Lymphaticorum*.—Inflammation of the lymphatic vessels may result from external injury, or from absorption of some morbid matter—as in dissection wounds, unhealthy carbuncles, &c. Lymphatic glands usually involved.

**SYMPTOMS.** Formation of bright red streaks; running upwards from wound in course of absorbents, to the glands in which the vessels merge. Streaks, tender to touch; the seat of stinging pains; hard, like little cords. Glands in connection with affected vessels quickly become involved; get swollen and acutely painful. Whole limb rendered puffy and tender. Great constitutional disturbance; chills or rigors; nausea and constipation, fever, restlessness, mental and bodily prostration.—May end in resolution; suppuration; chronic induration; fatal exhaustion, or ichorhæmia. Often complicated with erysipelas or phlebitis.

**TREATMENT.** Sulphate of soda or magnesia, 48. Chlorate of potash, 61. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine, 379. Hydrochloric acid, 357. Purgative enemata, 188, 190. Essence of beef, 1. Restorative soup, 3. Eggs, cream, and extract of beef, 6. Brandy and egg mixture, 17. Wine. Ice. Acid tartrate of potash drink, 356. Hydrochloric acid and chlorate of potash drink, 358.—Fomentations. Linseed poultices. Extract of belladonna and water dressing. Bed to be placed in centre of well-ventilated room. Evacuation of pus by free incisions.

**ANGINA PECTORIS.**—From *Ἀγγω*, to strangle; *Pectus*, the breast. Synon. *Orthopnœa Cardiaca*; *Cardioneuralgia*; *Cardiac Apnœa*; *Suffocative Breast-pang*.—A disease in which severe pain is felt about the chest, with a sense of strangulation and great anxiety.—Occurs most frequently in advanced life. More common in men than women. Has been found associated with valvular disease or fatty degeneration of heart; but more usually in connection with diseased coronary arteries.

**SYMPTOMS.** Paroxysms of intense pain about præcordial region, and sometimes down the left arm to the fingers' ends; feeling of suffocation; fearful sense of impending death. Seizure rarely lasts more than one or two minutes. May come on at any time: if patient be walking he is obliged to stop immediately. During attack, pulse slow and feeble; breathing short and hurried; countenance pale and anxious; surface of body cold, perhaps covered with clammy sweat; consciousness unimpaired. As struggle passes off, patient regains his usual health; often appears quite well. Heart sounds may be normal. If death do not occur in an early seizure, it generally does so in some subsequent attack.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm*:—Brandy or wine. Ether, chloroform and ammonia, 85. Hydrocyanic acid, soda, and morphia, 70. Belladonna. Camphor. Assafoetida. Inhalation of ether; or of nitrite of amyl five drops on lint; a convenient form is capsules which can be broken. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes. Friction. Flying blisters. Cold lotions to forehead.

*During interval*:—Animal food; milk or cream; light wines. Phosphorus. Arsenic. Ammonia and bark, 371. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Quinine and steel, 380. Quinine and belladonna, 883. Steel and pepsine, 394. Phosphate of iron, 405. Zinc and nuxvomica, 409. Valerianate of zinc and belladonna, 410. Sulphate

of zinc and aconite, 413. Phosphate of zinc, 414. Sulphur. Quinine. Belladonna plaster over præcordia. An issue at nape of neck. Avoidance of cold, stimulants, strong exercise, walking soon after meals, sexual intercourse, and mental excitement.

**ANOREXIA.**—From 'A, priv. ; *ὄρεξις*, appetite. Synon. *Inappetentia*.—Lost of appetite is a common symptom in most diseases. When present without apparent cause, attempts must be made to give tone to digestive organs. Mineral acids, pepsine, rhubarb, aloes, quinine, salicine, and bitter vegetable tinctures or infusions are the chief remedies.

**AORTIC ANEURISM.**—From 'Αορτή, the great artery ; 'Ανευρίσμος, to dilate.—*Varieties*.—*True* aneurism, in which all the coats of artery dilate and unite in forming walls of pouch ; *false* aneurism, in which inner and middle arterial tunics being ruptured, walls are formed by cellular coat and contiguous parts ; and *mixed* or *consecutive false* aneurism, in which the three coats having at first dilated, inner and middle ones subsequently rupture as distension increases. When the two inner tunics are ruptured, and blood forces its way between them and outer coat by a kind of false passage, so as to form a spreading diffused tumour, disease known as a *dissecting* aneurism. Lastly, *varicose* aneurisms are those where a communication has formed between aorta and either of the venæ cavæ, or between aorta and one of auricles, or between this vessel and right ventricle, or between aorta and pulmonary artery.

Aortic aneurism, a disease of advanced life, rather than of youth ; more common in men than in women ; often results from calcareous deposits, or from atheromatous or fatty degeneration of coats of vessel ; sometimes from syphilitic disease, and consequently other vessels are not uncommonly found affected at same time. May be produced in young subjects by strain or by pressure on chest of belts and straps, as in soldiers. Death may result from internal or external hæmorrhage owing to rupture of sac ; or sudden death may occur without any rupture (as from suffocation) ; or, more commonly, there may be gradual sinking from exhaustion caused by long-continued suffering, or from the effects of pressure on the lungs or other organs, or from debility brought about by repeated escape of small quantities of blood, or from co-existent tubercular consumption.

**1. Aneurism of Thoracic Aorta.**—Chiefly met with in ascending portion, or in transverse part of arch.

**SYMPTOMS AND PHYSICAL SIGNS.**—In early stage obscure, partly because they resemble those caused by heart disease. When tumour is of some size and has been quickly developed, there is disturbed action of heart with some modification of radial pulse ; pain about the chest and back, most constant and severe when erosion of bones of spine or sternum or ribs is going on. The principal physical signs are pulsation in situations where none exists naturally, intensification of *the aortic second sound*, diastolic shock, perhaps murmurs ; dulness on

percussion over portion of vessel from which aneurism springs.—Supposing aneurismal tumour becomes very large and pulsating, and rises out of chest, producing protrusion or absorption of sternum and ribs, then the diagnosis is easy.

When the sac presses upon trachea, there are dyspnoea and cough; when on one or both recurrent laryngeal nerves, cracked voice or complete aphonia with troublesome cough, severe paroxysms of laryngeal suffocation, and pain coming on at intervals; when on œsophagus, dysphagia and symptoms of stricture; when on superior vena cava, great fulness of veins of head, neck, and upper extremities, perhaps with œdema; when on thoracic duct, inanition and engorgement of absorbent vessels and glands; when on root of one or other lung, cough, wheezing, dyspnoea, absence or modification of respiratory sounds. When an aneurism of ascending aorta is in immediate neighbourhood of the heart, patient often suffers from angina pectoris; when aneurism involves origin of innominate artery, right, if origin of left subclavian left radial pulse may be weakened or extinguished. Aneurism of descending aortic not easily detected; liable to give rise to severe pain round chest from pressure on intercostal nerves; may compress rest of lung.

Amongst other symptoms,—contraction or dilatation of pupil on affected side, according as pressure is sufficient to paralyze, or only irritate, branches of sympathetic nerve.—Frequently diastolic shock felt or heard, or aortic second sound greatly intensified and sonorous. Sometimes a bellows-sound detected. If the heart be compressed by tumour, so as to impede normal action of valves, a systolic or diastolic bruit will result. Pressure on aorta, or on pulmonary artery, may also produce a murmur. In false aneurism there is sometimes a murmur both with entrance and exit of blood into sac; or there may be one loud and prolonged and rasping bruit, from passage of blood over roughened inner surface of vessel. Murmur not always present. In true aneurism or mere dilatation of a part of the wall, murmurs seldom audible, but a roughened state of arterial tunics from degeneration or from atheromatous deposits, will give rise to a bruit. In both forms, when a murmur exists, a peculiar thrilling or purring tremor may be felt.

Death may occur from rupture externally, or into pericardium, or either pleural cavity, or into trachea, œsophagus or a bronchial tube. Or patient may die from exhaustion consequent on long-continued suffering. Or there may be destructive inflammation of lung, owing to compression of pulmonary vessels, or to pressure on pneumogastric nerve.—Very rarely, cure has resulted from solidification of fibrin.

**TREATMENT.** The same as for Aneurism of Abdominal Aorta.

**2. Aneurism of Abdominal Aorta.**—Often gives rise to acute pain in lumbar region, shooting into either hypochondrium and downwards into thighs and scrotum. Pain aggravated by constipation: often relieved by lying on face. A tumour discovered by careful examination: constant and powerful pulsation communicated to hand. A short, loud, abrupt bellows-sound may be heard.

**TREATMENT.** *General Rules:*—In aortic aneurism, all bodily and mental excitement must be avoided. Pain, cough, dyspnoea, and other prominent symptoms to be alleviated. Generous reparative diet to be allowed: sherry, Bordeaux, Rhine, or Hungarian wines, brandy or whisky and water in small quantity; avoidance of malt liquors. Reduction of quantity of blood that the heart has to act upon by limiting the daily quantity of fluids taken to a pint (Sibson). Attention to be paid to digestive, secreting, and excreting functions.

*Curative:*—When definitive cure attempted, absolute rest in bed necessary, food to be taken in small quantities at short intervals, liquid being restricted; bowels to be kept open. Iodide of potassium, in large doses most successful, 31. Acetate of lead, in gradually increasing doses, perhaps up to twenty grains daily; with acetic acid. Ergot. Iodo-tannin. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101. Ammoniated iron alum, 116. *Locally:*—Ice. Electricity. Electro-puncture. Belladonna plasters. Puncture with a small trocar and canula, and introduction of fine iron wire or horse-hair through latter, so as to afford an extensive surface on which fibrin may coagulate (Murchison and Moore). In aneurism of arch, ligature of left subclavian and carotid. In abdominal aortic aneurism, pressure with a tourniquet for several hours, patient being kept under influence of chloroform (William Murray). Valsalva's plan of frequent bleedings, while patient is kept on lowest possible diet, not to be recommended.

*Palliative:*—Opium. Morphia. Subcutaneous injection of morphia. Belladonna. Digitalis. Indian hemp. Camphor. Assafetida. Spirit of ether or chloroform. Mercury, digitalis, and squills. Tracheotomy, if suffocation threaten. Small bleedings, where there is great pulmonary congestion, or severe pain.

**AORTITIS.**—From *'Aoprh*, the great artery; termina *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Aortae.*—Acute inflammation of aorta a very rare affection. Probably a blood disease: allied to rheumatism, like pericarditis and endocarditis.

**SYMPTOMS.** Very obscure. General uneasiness. Rigors followed by fever. Orthopnoea, with frequent sense of suffocation. Pain and violent pulsation in vessel. Great palpitation. Sometimes, a loud systolic bruit. Pulse often unaffected.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium. Colchicum. Aconite. Opium. Spirit of ether. Spirit of chloroform. Warm baths. Dry cupping over spine. Ice to spine. Blisters.

Coats of aorta may undergo structural changes; either as result of chronic inflammation, or of a simple degeneration of tissues. Calcareous or ossific, and atheromatous or fatty degenerations, most frequently met with in advanced life, although they may occur at an earlier period.

**APHASIA.**—From *'A*, priv.; *φάσις*, speech.—A loss of the faculty of speech; almost always accompanied by loss of writing, and in some very severe cases by loss of the power of conveying ideas by *gestures* or *signs*.



Aphasia sometimes transitory, as occasionally during an attack of cholera, or during convalescence from severe attack of fever, when it may be owing to cerebral congestion or anæmia. It may be permanent, and due to softening of brain from embolism or thrombosis, or more rarely to cerebral syphilis or tumour, or to hæmorrhage. When lesions exist they usually affect the posterior portion of the third frontal convolution of the brain, on the left side. Aphasia is very frequently associated with right hemiplegia.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sudden or gradual deprivation of power of speech. Patient understands all that is said but cannot say a word, or only "yes" and "no." He may talk jargon, or perhaps one or two words can be uttered quite distinctly, which are then spoken in reply to all kinds of questions. In other cases several words are recovered and employed more or less appropriately, or again emotional expressions may be uttered with fluency, which cannot be repeated in cold blood. Face intelligent. Movements of lips and tongue and larynx healthy. There may be consciousness of what is wished to be expressed, and yet complete inability to express the thoughts by speech, writing, or even (occasionally) by gestures. Aphasic patients know the use of objects though they cannot name them. Moreover, they can often play correctly at cards, backgammon, dominoes, &c. They can perhaps read; but frequently if they understand what they peruse they forget directly, as they will pore over the same page again and again. There is the greatest possible diversity, however, in the degree of impairment of the mental powers. They can often copy written or printed words when unable to write a syllable spontaneously or from dictation.

**TREATMENT.** Will depend upon cause. Recovery may occur spontaneously. If due to hæmorrhage, improvement may take place as clot absorbed; when to local softening after embolism, no treatment effectual. In cases dependent on syphilis, iodide of potassium is the remedy. Cases have occurred in which a patient has learnt over again to speak, as a child learns.

**APHONIA.**—From 'A, priv.; φωνή, the voice.—Loss of voice, from organic or functional disease of vocal cords, varies in degree from a slight impairment to complete dumbness. It is either temporary or permanent.

**VARIETIES.** Aphonia may be due either to functional disorder, or to structural change.

(1) *Functional variety*:—Hysterical aphonia typical. Generally allied with other symptoms indicative of its nature. In women, uterine functions frequently disturbed: irritation of one or both ovaries often present. Leucorrhœa: amenorrhœa, or sometimes menorrhagia.—Patient speaks in a whisper for days together. Then power returns, but relapses are common.—Aphonia from fright occurs in men as well as in women.—If functional aphonia be of long continuance, the vocal cords will probably become flaccid and powerless. An examination by laryngoscope shows a paralytic condition of cords. Faradization very useful.

(2) *Organic form*:—Caused by inflammation, serous infiltration,

cancerous, or syphilitic or tuberculous ulceration of mucous membrane about vocal cords; conditions detected by laryngoscope. May also arise from pressure of morbid growths in or near larynx, or of aneurism or tumour on recurrent laryngeal nerves; or from disease of brain, producing paralysis of muscles of larynx, on normal action of which, the tension and position of vocal cords depends—(bulbar paralysis).

**TREATMENT.** *If functional*:—Quinine and steel, 380. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Compound iron mixture with aloes, 393. Phosphate of iron, 405. Strychnia and steel, 408. Zinc and nux vomica, 409. Valerianate of zinc, 410. Nourishing food. Galvanism. Spray of astringent fluids, 262. Shower baths. Moral influence.

*When organic*:—For cure of inflammation and ulceration about vocal cords, sponging with solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 40 to fl. oz. j). When syphilitic, iodide of potassium to be also given. Spray of astringent fluids, 262. Scarification, in cedema of glottis. Removal of polypi, or other growths by wire *écraseur*. Ferruginous tonics. Cod liver oil, &c. For loss of the faculty of expressing the thoughts by speech, see *Aphasia*.

**APHTHÆ OF MOUTH.**—From *Ἀπτω*, to fasten upon: Synon. *Stomatitis Exudativa*; *Muguet*; *Thrush*.—Apthæ consist of small, round, white elevated specks or patches, scattered over tongue and lining membrane of mouth, and sometimes extending down œsophagus. Forms a special disorder in infancy—the *thrush*: in adult age, apthæ often produced in course of prostrating disease.—Two microscopical parasitic plants—*Leptothrix buccalis* and *Oidium albicans*—developed in large quantity, in and between epithelial cells of mucous membrane; filaments and spores of these fungi render epithelium friable, loose, and swollen.

**SYMPTOMS.** Restlessness. Debility. Cough. Difficulty in swallowing. Vomiting. Diarrhœa. Where apthous spots are abundant they may coalesce, forming a dirty diphtherial-looking membrane.

**TREATMENT.** Application of borax and glycerine, 250. Application of sulphite of soda (gr. 60 to water fl. oz. j) or carbolic acid. Mild astringents. Bark and port wine. Chemical food, 405. Cod liver oil. Chlorate of potash. Pure milk. Liebig's food, 4. Restorative soup, 2. Beef-tea.

**APOPLEXY.**—From *Ἀπὸ*, by means of; *πλήσσω*, to strike,—because, in typical cases, those attacked fall down as if from a blow. The term descriptive of the symptoms, but often employed as if synonymous with hæmorrhage. A state of coma, occurring suddenly, presumably from pressure on the brain, the compressing power having its seat within the cranium. There is sudden loss of sensation, thought, and power of voluntary motion; with more or less severe disturbance of respiration and circulation.

**WARNINGS.** Apoplexy seldom occurs without some previous threatenings, such as:—Headache and giddiness, experienced particularly on stooping; feeling of weight and fulness in head; noises in ears, temporary deafness; transient blindness, or sometimes double vision;

repeated epistaxis; fits of nausea; occasional sense of numbness in limbs; loss of memory; great mental depression; incoherent talking; drowsiness; indistinctness of articulation; and partial paralysis, affecting a limb, or muscles of face, or eyelids.

Certain individuals predisposed:—Those whose ancestors suffered from it; men of a peculiar habit of body, of sedentary habits, accustomed to high living, with protuberant bellies, large heads, florid features, and short, thick necks; and individuals advanced in life, beyond fifty. A predisposition to hæmorrhage. Apoplexy is also engendered by disease of kidneys, heart, or cerebral blood-vessels; by gout, by intemperance; and by cessation of habitual discharges. Embolic apoplexy, by heart disease.

VARIETIES. The comatose condition may cease in one of three ways:—It may gradually pass off, leaving patient well; or it may terminate in incomplete recovery, mind being impaired, or some parts of body paralysed; or it may end in death. In latter case, on examining the brain we find either no appearance whatever of disease; or extravasated blood is discovered in ventricles, or pons Varolii, or to large amount in centrum ovale majus, or in sac of arachnoid; or there is copious effusion of serum into ventricles or beneath arachnoid, with or without cerebral softening. That which is fatal without leaving any traces, which is very rare, has been called *nervous* or *simple* apoplexy; the second, *sanguineous* apoplexy, or *cerebral hæmorrhage*; the third, *serous* apoplexy. In serous apoplexy, so-called, the serum is often simply present from senile cerebral atrophy, and has no relation to the attack. Apoplexy may also result from embolism. During life it may be impossible to distinguish by the symptoms these varieties.

MODES OF SEIZURE. Commences in three different ways:—In *first*, patient falls down suddenly, deprived of sense and motion; lies like a person in deep sleep. Face generally flushed. Breathing stertorous. Pulse full and not frequent, occasionally below natural standard. Sometimes convulsions; or rigidity and contraction of muscles of limbs, perhaps only on one side (Abercrombie).

In *second* form, coma not the first symptom. Complaint made of sudden pain in head. Pallor, sickness, faintness. Sometimes vomiting. Frequently, patient falls to ground in a state resembling syncope. Occasionally, instead of falling, the sudden pain is only accompanied by slight and transient loss of consciousness. After a few hours, headache continuing, he becomes heavy and oppressed and forgetful: gradually sinks into complete coma, from which recovery is rare. A large clot usually found in brain. (*Ingravescent Apoplexy*.)

*Third* variety begins by symptoms of cerebral hæmorrhage. There is an attack of paralysis of one side; sometimes deprivation of power of speech, but no loss of consciousness. The paralysis may pass into coma; or it may remain without further urgent symptoms; or it may slowly go off and patient recover; or it may pass off and death occur suddenly some hours or days subsequently, from return of hæmorrhage (see *Cerebral Hæmorrhage*).

PHENOMENA DURING FIT. Duration of apoplectic fit varies from two

or three hours to as many days. Partial or total unconsciousness. Pulse, at first generally small, becomes full and strong, according as system recovers from shock; it is usually slower than natural, sometimes intermitting. Respiration slow, embarrassed, often accompanied by stertor; frothy saliva about mouth.—In bad cases, body covered with cold clammy sweat; face pale; eyes dull and glassy, with dilatation of one or both pupils according as pressure is on one or both sides; teeth firmly clenched, and all power of deglutition lost or much impeded; stertorous breathing. Bowels torpid, or motions passed involuntarily. Involuntary micturition; or retention of urine, until bladder becomes distended and overflows, causing urine to be constantly dribbling away. When patient recovers incompletely, hemiplegia often remains.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic.*—Where predisposition is suspected, it is necessary to warn patient against strong bodily exertion; venereal excitement; stimulus and irritation of any approach to drunkenness; heavy meals; violent mental emotion; exposure to extremes of temperature; constipation and straining at stool; long-continued stooping; tight neckcloths; and hot baths. Diet to be moderate. Bedroom to be cool and well-ventilated; to sleep on a mattress, with head high. Daily exercise in open air. Head to be washed in morning with cold water. Where there is giddiness, or epistaxis, or headache, or throbbing of arteries of head, a few doses of an active purgative will be useful; perhaps, blisters or seton to nape of neck. Leeches to sides of anus, where the threatening seems due to the suppression of some accustomed discharge.—Where there is anæmia, bark and mineral acids, or small doses of steel; with good easily digested food, and plenty of milk.—Arsenious acid (gr.  $\frac{1}{30}$ — $\frac{1}{12}$  twice daily) in combination with liquor potassæ has been recommended.

*Curative.*—The rule is, after an attack, “to obviate the tendency to death” (Cullen). If tendency be towards death by coma; if pulse be full, hard, or thrilling; if vessels of neck are congested; if face be flushed and turgid,—general bleeding or cupping from nape of neck, may be called for. When there is stertor the patient to be turned on his side. Contrariwise, if patient be dying from syncope, with a feeble or almost imperceptible pulse, and a cold clammy skin,—then bleeding will only ensure a speedily fatal termination. Bleeding sometimes employed to prevent increase of extravasation; but this remedy must be resorted to with great caution, since it is not always easy to distinguish hæmorrhage from embolism.

Patient to be removed into a cool and well-ventilated room. Head to be raised. All tight parts of dress to be loosened, especially cravat and shirt collar. Cold to the head by means of pounded ice in a bladder. If power of swallowing remain, calomel and jalap, followed by common black draught, 140. Where deglutition is impossible, two or three drops of croton oil on back part of tongue. Stimulating and purgative enemata, 189, 190, 191. Pediluvia containing mustard. Blisters to scalp, or nucha, seldom of benefit in any stage, and never at early period. Emetics only useful where attack is due to over-loaded stomach.

*In event of recovery*.—Great care needed to prevent a second fit. Strong medicines, great excitement, severe mental occupation to be avoided. Bowels to be kept open. Simple, but nutritious diet; fish; meat in moderation; milk. Light French, German, or Hungarian wines.

**ASCITES**.—From *ἄσκις*, a wine-skin or leather bottle,—because of the swollen condition of the belly. Synon. *Hydrops Abdominis*; *Hydroperitoneum*; *Dropsy of the Peritoneum*.—Fluid, usually serous, in peritoneal cavity.

May be due to cirrhosis of liver; amyloid degeneration or cancer of this organ; obliteration of portal vein; all of which produce effusion by obstruction to the portal circulation; or to subacute or chronic peritonitis; malignant disease of omentum; enlargement of spleen. In all the cases above enumerated, ascites is a local dropsy; it is often, however, part of a general dropsy arising from renal disease, or disease of the heart or lungs. Cirrhosis on the one hand, and kidney disease on the other, are the most frequent causes.

**SYMPTOMS**. Characteristic appearance of patient. Upper part of body wasted, features pinched, countenance very anxious: abdomen greatly enlarged, integuments shining, superficial veins dilated. Fluctuation and vibration: shifting resonance on percussion. In advanced stage, dyspnoea: respiratory murmur cannot be heard as low down as in health: tubular breathing in interscapular regions, especially towards left: apex of heart elevated, and rather pressed to the left. Commonly, anasarca of lower extremities: more rarely, and chiefly in renal dropsy, oedema of face and arms. Urine scanty, often loaded with urates: in ascites from cirrhosis it generally contains bile; in that from renal disease, albumen. Increasing deterioration of general health. Weakness and emaciation. Loss of appetite. Sleeplessness. Inability to lie down. Exhaustion: ending fatally when the dropsy is due to organic disease.

**TREATMENT**.—The fluid is to be got rid of by purgatives and diuretics while the morbid condition to which it is due is also treated. As purgatives: Compound powder of jalap. Acid tartrate of potash. Pill of colocynth and hyoscyamus. Elaterium, 157. Resin of podophyllum, 160. Croton oil, 168. Gamboge with aloes and blue pill, 174. Calomel and jalap, 159. As diuretics: Acetate of potash, squills, and broom, 219. Solution of potash, nitrous ether, and digitalis, 220. Spirit of juniper, nitrous ether, and winter green, 221. Digitalis and squills, with blue pill or taraxacum, 219, 224. Copaiba or its resin. Nitric acid, nitrous ether, and taraxacum, 147. Acid tartrate of potash and buchu, 222. Nitrate of potash and nitrous ether, 212. Conium, digitalis, and calomel, 230. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of iron, 32. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Colchicum, 46. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Phosphate of iron, 405. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and ammonia, 401, 403. Warm baths. Vapour baths. Turkish bath. Tapping. Acupuncture. Issues.

As a rule, in dropsy from renal disease, all preparations of mercury

are injurious, and diuretics must be employed cautiously: baths especially useful. Mercurials pernicious where there is anæmia: compound jalap powder, hot air baths, and preparations of steel very valuable.—See *Dropsy*.

**ASTHENOPIA.**—From 'A, priv.; *σθένος*, strength; *ὤψ*, the eye. Weak-sightedness, from fatigue of muscular system of accommodation. Synon. *Muscular Amaurosis*.

**SYMPTOMS.**—The eyes appear normal. Inability to read or write for any length of time: letters become indistinct, and words seem to run into each other. The eyes ache or get very tired. *Musæ volitantes*. Headache. If unrelieved, the eyes become useless for continued work.

**TREATMENT.** When dependent on hypermetropia may be cured by proper use of convex glasses. If due to anæmia,—ferruginous tonics, sea air, good food, cold water douche, and spectacles of sufficient power. Work to be interrupted every half-hour by rest, so long as fatigue is induced.

**ASTHMA.**—From 'Ασθμῆζω, to gasp for breath. Synon. *Spasmus Bronchialis*.—A nervous disease: phenomena dependent on tonic contraction of circular muscular fibres of bronchial tubes; often associated, however, with bronchial catarrh and caused by this condition. Paroxysms induced by direct or reflex mechanism—i.e., the stimulus to contraction may be irritation of the bronchial mucous membrane, or it may be in the medulla oblongata; or it will be in pulmonary or gastric portion of pneumogastric, or in some other part of nervous system besides the vagus, and being transmitted to medulla oblongata by incident, is thence reflected by motor filaments.

**SYMPTOMS.** A fit of asthma may be preceded by headache and sleepiness, or by various digestive or other disturbances, or it occurs suddenly without warning. Patient awakes two or three hours after midnight with sensation of suffocation or constriction about chest: dyspnoea increases, until there is a most painful struggle for breath. Various postures assumed to facilitate respiration. Chest gets distended to utmost limit: there is evidently some obstruction to entrance and exit of air. On auscultation, little true respiratory murmur audible; but sibilant rhonchi, loud wheezings, or shrill whistlings are heard. Pulse becomes small and feeble. Eyes staring. Countenance anxious. Lips purple. Temperature of surface often falls to 82° F.; but after a time the fatigue causes the skin to be bathed in a hot sweat. After a long period, relief comes. Cough, with expectoration of little pellets of mucus. Paroxysm ceases, and sufferer falls asleep.

During interval between attacks, moderately good health enjoyed, with quiet breathing. Most asthmatics thin and round shouldered: countenance expressive of attacks of suffering; cheeks hollow; voice rather hoarse; slight cough. Interval varies in length from twenty-

four hours to twelve months. Attacks sometimes periodic. Sometimes alternate with melancholia, or disappear with supervention of an attack of gout, or of eruption on skin. Asthma very capricious: kept off by certain climates, but only experiment can decide which air is suitable for each case. More common in men than women. Often hereditary. In *idiopathic* or *spasmodic* asthma, the disease is uncomplicated. In *symptomatic* or *organic* asthma, the suffering is complicated with, or symptomatic of, some disease of nervous system, of alimentary canal, of heart, of lungs, or even of skin.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm:*—If stomach contain undigested food, a stimulating emetic, 232. If rectum be loaded, an enema of castor oil and assafœtida and rue, 189. Croton oil and turpentine enema, 191.—Great object is to relax bronchial spasm. A dose of iodide of potassium (grs. 10), with ammonia or ether, and tincture of belladonna (min. xx—xxx) often succeeds. Subcutaneous injection of atropine, 314. Opium or morphia may give relief, but often injurious: if given, only a full dose will be of any avail. A cup of strong coffee. A glass of strong brandy or whisky, or rum punch. Inhalation of chloroform, or ether, of doubtful value: patient usually gets relief while inhalation is continued, but wakes up as bad as before; nitrite of amyl sometimes useful, often painful. Iodoform, 338. Tobacco useful in some cases, especially in women: when it produces nausea and collapse, the attack often ceases. A pipe of Latakia sufficient for those unaccustomed to smoking. Stramonium cigars. Stramonium seeds smoked in a pipe. Datura Tatula cigars. Cigares Anti-Asthmatiques de M. Joy. Stramonium with henbane, 323. Conium with henbane, 335. Fumes from stramonium leaves prepared like nitre-paper. Nitre-paper fumes. Turpentine stupes. Hot-water stupes. Sinapisms. Hemlock poultice.

*In interval:*—Improvement of general health by tonics; regular mode of life; use of cold shower or sponge bath. Removal of dyspepsia. Meals to be taken at such times that digestion may be completed before retiring to bed. Selection of a climate the opposite to that in which attacks come on.

When mucous membrane about fauces is relaxed,—Tannin or catechu lozenges. Atomised spray of astringent fluids, 262. Sponging with solution of nitrate of silver. When bronchitis present—this to be treated (see *Bronchitis*).—If digestion be weak,—Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Pepsine, 420. Ammonia and bitters, 361. Quinine and rhubarb, 385. Steel and citrate of potash, 403. Quinine. Phosphorus. Arsenic. Arsenic and iodide of potassium in combination.—If cause be obscure,—Iodide of potassium with aconite, or with ammonia and belladonna, 31. Inhalation of oxygen gas. Respiration of compressed air.

*Remedies sometimes employed:*—Garlic (*Allium sativum*). Bulb of common onion (*Allium cepa*). Carbonate of ammonia. Ammoniacum mixture. Nitro-glycerine. Compound squill pill. Assafœtida. Nitrate of silver. Arsenic. Camphor. Musk. Galbanum. Ipecacuanha. Dilute hydrocyanic acid. Indian hemp. Petroleum. Senega. Strychnia. Storax. Compound tincture of benzoin.

Sumbul. Oxide of zinc. Valerianate of zinc or ammonia. Sulphate of zinc. Blisters to spine or nucha. Ointment of tartarated antimony to chest walls. Issues. Galvanism.

**ASTIGMATISM.** From 'A, priv.; *στιγμα*, a point,—signifying that rays derived from one point do not again unite into one point.—An inequality in the refractive power of the several meridians of the eye. Usually the cornea is more convex from above downwards than from side to side, or would in section present a segment of a smaller circle. The asymmetry on which astigmatism depends is proper to all eyes. Usually it exists in so slight a degree, that the acuteness of vision is not essentially impaired by it (normal astigmatism). But exceptionally it becomes considerable, and occasions an aberration of the rays of light, which interferes with the sharpness of sight (Donders).

**ATELECTASIS.**—From 'Ατελής, imperfect; *εκτασις*, dilatation.—A congenital non-expansion of air-cells of lungs.—See *Pulmonary Condensation*.

**AUDITORY VERTIGO.**—See *Menière's Disease*.

**BALANITIS.**—From *βάλανος*, the glans penis; terminal *-itis*—signifying inflammation when added to the Greek name of an organ, Synon. *External Clap*; *Gonorrhœa Preputialis*.—Consists of inflammation, with redness and patches of excoriation, of the glans penis and internal surface of the prepuce. Sometimes the affection is termed balanitis when only the glans is affected; balano-posthitis (*βάλανος πύσθη*, the skin covering the glans, terminal *-itis*) being applied when the lining of the prepuce is also involved. This refinement unnecessary: the two conditions are rarely seen apart.

**SYMPTOMS.** Heat and itching about the glans. A muco-purulent discharge. On denuding the glans, patches of redness and excoriation perceived, perhaps with flakes of curd-like matter. If there be œdema of foreskin, or the orifice of this covering be contracted, retraction may be impossible—phimosis. Necessity of drawing back the foreskin,—there may be a chancre, or an abscess, or mortification may be threatening. Sympathetic bubo may arise. Sometimes complicated with gonorrhœa. Balanitis from inoculation with secondary syphilitic discharge, may cause constitutional infection.

A similar disorder—*vulvitis*—occasionally met with in women, or female children.

**TREATMENT.** Great cleanliness. Lightly touching of inflamed surface with nitrate of silver. Astringent lotions,—alum, subacetate of lead, sulphate of zinc, &c. Mere washing and drying of parts, twice in 24 hours, with separation of glans from prepuce by a thin layer of cotton wool. Circumcision. Slitting up of prepuce. Dilatation of of preputial opening with sponge tents. After retraction of foreskin it is again to be drawn forwards, to avoid paraphimosis.

**BARBADOES LEG.**—Synon. *Elephantiasis Arabum*; *Glandular*



*Disease of Barbadoes; Bucnemia Tropica.*—Characterized by great swelling and induration of true skin, or derma. Probably due to obstruction of lymphatics by nematoid embryos. Produces most marked deformity. Sometimes subjacent areolar and adipose tissues are implicated. Most frequently attacks lower extremities; swelling so great that limb becomes double its natural size. Hardness, severe pain and thickening; with an appearance resembling the leg of an elephant, whence the disease has unfortunately derived one of its names (Ελέφας, the elephant). The scrotum not an uncommon seat of it. Rarely met with in Europe: occurs principally in West Indies. Generally continues for life; is accompanied by periodical febrile attacks; neither contagious nor hereditary; attacks males and females, rich and poor, indiscriminately. When confined to one foot and leg, amputation has been resorted to with advantage. Ligature of main artery of limb. The success which has followed removal of large scrotal tumours in India is very remarkable.

**BED CASE.**—A not uncommon form of hysteria. Subjects of it live in bed; they are tranquil, cheerful, have good digestions, and like the kind of attentions of sympathizing friends. Often impressed with belief that there is serious disease in spine, or in womb: there are certain movements which they think cannot be made without "horrible" pain. Menstruation frequently attended with suffering; leucorrhœa. Uterine displacement, or any other abnormal condition to be remedied; moral suasion to be applied. Each example varies in regard to important mental peculiarities, and tact is needed to persuade patient to get well.—See *Hysteria*.

**BERIBERI.**—From *Beri*, the Singalese for weakness, by iteration implying great weakness. Synon. *Bad Sickness of Ceylon*.—A form of general dropsy almost unknown to pathologists in this country. It is very fatal to European and native troops at Ceylon.

**SYMPTOMS.** Increasing weakness. Marked anæmia. Anxiety. Numbness of the surface. Stiffness and œdema of lower extremities. Dyspnoea. Paralysis. Suppression of urine. Effusion of serum into pleuræ and pericardium. Exhaustion. Generally death.

**TREATMENT.** Elaterium. Calomel and squills. Squills and digitalis. Treeak Farook, an electuary much esteemed in parts of India, the ingredients of which are unknown, but which acts as an aperient and mild diuretic when combined with rhubarb: the dose is from grs. 5 to 15. Oleum nigrum, regarded as a valuable preparation in India; having stimulant and diaphoretic properties in doses of ten minims. Tonics. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Effervescing draughts. Opium. Nux vomica. Spirit of nitrous ether. Nourishing diet. Wine.

Bleeding. Cupping over spine. Blisters. Friction, with stimulating liniments. Galvanism.

**BILIARY CALCULI.**—From *Bilis*, bile: *Calculus* (dimin. of *calx*), a small stone.—See *Gall-Stones*.

**BITES OF RABID ANIMALS.**—The immediate *treatment* is as follows:—The tissues around seat of injury are to be compressed by a ligature or otherwise, to prevent absorption. Then the wounded part is to be excised as soon as possible; taking care to remove every portion touched by animal's teeth, and to obtain a clean raw surface. The wound should next be thoroughly washed by a stream of water, long poured over it: lunar caustic afterwards to be applied. Mr. Youatt prefers nitrate of silver freely used, to every other caustic: he recommends that after its application the wound be quickly healed. Some authorities advise that the wound be kept open by irritating ointments. Chloroform may be given to prevent pain of knife. Subsequently, patient to be assured that all has been done to prevent any after mischief. To afford him greater confidence, administer for some days the sulphite of magnesia in bark, 48.—See *Hydrophobia*.

**BITES OF VENOMOUS REPTILES.**—The poisonous reptiles provided with fangs are the ophidia or serpents. Chief foreign serpents:—(1) *Cerastes* or *Horned Serpents*, allied to vipers, and much to be dreaded. (2) *Crotali* or *Rattle Snakes*, provided with long poison fangs, and a reservoir of some size. In human subject, the poison is fatal in two or three minutes. (3) *Bothrops* or *Javelin Snakes*, inhabitants of Martinique and St. Lucia. The most formidable species is the yellow viper of Martinique. M. Guyon saw several soldiers perish from its bite. Death may occur almost immediately; or in the course of twenty-four hours, preceded by exhaustion and coma. And (4) *Naia*, or *Spectacled Serpents*, or *Hooded Snakes*, which are met with in Arabia and India. This group contains the coluber haje, the true asp of the ancients: also the cobra di capello.

The only poisonous reptile indigenous to this country is the *Common Viper* or *Adder*. It is found on the heaths and in the dry woods of all parts of Great Britain. Poison apparatus consists of a gland placed by side of head, a duct, and a fang or pointed curved tooth moulded in form of a tube. The bite rarely proves fatal. The wounded part becomes the seat of severe pain; great swelling, redness, and lividity. Faintness: rapidity and feebleness of pulse. Bilious vomitings. Dyspnoea. Profuse cold sweats. Jaundice. Delirium, or convulsions.

**TREATMENT. Locally:**—The wound to be immediately sucked freely and perseveringly. If patient is too faint to do this for himself, a bystander can fearlessly help him: it is well known that these poisons may be swallowed, or smeared upon the lips and tongue (provided there is no abrasion), with impunity. At same time a ligature is to be placed around the limb, above the wound; or if this be impossible from its situation, the textures around are to be compressed. Then, the bitten part to be excised; or it may be destroyed by actual cautery, nitric acid, strong liquor ammoniæ, or nitrate of silver, or solution of permanganate of potash may be injected.

**Constitutionally:**—Remedies derived chiefly from class of diffusible stimulants. No agent more generally recommended than ammonia.

Compound tincture of ammonia (Phar. Lond.) formerly known as eau de luce, in half-drachm doses well diluted; or aromatic spirits of ammonia, two drachms to an ounce-and-a-half of water. Supposing no ammonia is at hand, brandy will prove an excellent substitute. Injection into a vein (the radial or saphena) of liquor ammoniæ (from min. 20 to 30) diluted with two or three times its quantity of water (Halford of Melbourne). This treatment fails in bites of Cobra and other snakes of India (Fayrer and Brunton). Transfusion of blood has been recommended. The patient is to be kept roused by walking him about, administering strong coffee, &c.

**BLACK LEG.**—A form of Purpura, which occurs amongst the lumbermen on the Ottawa or Grand River of Canada. It is produced by the use of pork packed in nitrate of Potash.—See *Purpura*.

**BLENNORRAGIA.**—From *βλέννα*, mucus or slime; *ρήγνυμι*, to burst forth. A discharge from the mucous membrane of the urethra or vagina, usually contracted in sexual intercourse.—See *Gonorrhœa*.

**BLENNORRHEA.**—From *βλέννα*, mucus; *ρέω*, to flow.—See *Gonorrhœa*.

**BLOWS AND BRUISES.**—Seldom necessary to do more than relieve pain and prevent discoloration. To be accomplished by:—Arnica lotions, 275. Aconite lotions, 265. Spirit and ammonia lotions, 273. Poultices of black bryony root (*Bryonia nigra*), used by pugilists. Glycerine. Oil of turpentine. Expressed juice of leaves of *Milkania Guaco*. Dilute solution of subacetate of lead.

**BOILS.**—A boil or furunculus (from *Ferveo*, to burn) is a circumscribed hard tumour, small but very painful, produced by inflammation of the true skin and subjacent areolar tissue. Morbid process terminates in suppuration and ulceration.

**TREATMENT.** Poultices. Fomentations. Painting with iodine. Resin, Eleme or Peruvian balsam ointment. Incisions? Jalap and senna, 150. Sulphide of calcium. Quinine, 379. Peroxide of hydrogen. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Liquor arsenicalis, 52. Yeast. Liquor potassæ. Tar, 36. Nourishing food. Wine or beer. Change of air.

**BRASS-FOUNDER'S AGUE.**—A peculiar form of intermittent fever, which affects brass-founders and other workmen exposed to the fumes of deflagrating zinc. Observed in the Birmingham foundries, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** The paroxysms occur irregularly. Constriction or tightness about chest. In the evening, shivering; an indistinct hot stage; profuse sweating.

**TREATMENT.** Emetics and milk, as prophylactics. Avoidance of the fumes of zinc. Tonics, quinine, &c.

**BRIGHT'S DISEASE.**—A term indiscriminately applied to all renal diseases accompanied by albuminuria and dropsy.—See *Nephritis*; *Renal Degenerations*.

**BRONCHIECTASIS.**—From *Βρόγχος*,—Dilatation of bronchial tubes; most commonly the result of chronic bronchitis, but may be due to adhesion of pleura, or fibroid condition of lungs.

**SYMPTOMS.** Chronic cough and shortness of breath; offensive sputa often very copious; tubular breathing, with coarse crepitation or gurgling; exaggerated vocal resonance.

Sometimes a portion of dilated tube cut off by occlusion of bronchus and retained secretion, forms an abscess which may give rise to a cavity.

**TREATMENT.**—See *Bronchitis*. Inhalations of iodine, creosote, or carbolic acid.

**BRONCHITIS.**—From *Βρόγχος*, the windpipe; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Pulmonary Catarrh*.—Inflammation of mucous membrane of bronchial tubes. May be acute or chronic, and in larger or smaller tubes: affects one or both lungs throughout, or only a portion of these organs—usually the upper lobes. Symptoms of hay-asthma often of a bronchial character.

**1. Acute Bronchitis.**—A dangerous disorder: inflammatory action often spreads to vesicular texture of lungs.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fever. A sense of tightness or constriction about chest. Hurried respiration, with wheezing. Cough. Expectoration of viscid glairy frothy mucus, and afterwards of purulent secretion. Frequent, and often weak, pulse. Foul tongue. Headache and lassitude. Sickness. Great anxiety.

Inflammation of *larger and medium-sized* tubes, attended by less severe symptoms and results than *general and capillary* bronchitis. Latter rare in adults; chiefly seen in very young and old. It is recognized by tendency to cause asphyxia; paroxysms of dyspnoea or orthopnoea; congestion of surface; perpetual cough; general restlessness; increasing prostration; and, in fatal cases, somnolence, muttering delirium, and coma.—Sometimes, during progress of acute bronchitis, one or more tubes become choked up with viscid phlegm; *pulmonary collapse* resulting, especially in children—a portion of lung being emptied of air. One frequent result of collapse is vesicular emphysema; so that loss of function in airless part of lung is compensated for by increase of volume in non-obstructed portion.

In early stage of bronchitis, auscultation often detects two dry sounds—*rhonchus* and *sibilus*. Rhonchus belongs to larger bronchi: sibilus bespeaks more danger, as denoting that smaller air-tubes and vesicles are affected. After inflamed membrane has poured out fluid, the dry are displaced by moist sounds—*large and small crepitation*. Rhonchus and large crepitation are the dry and moist sounds of larger air-passages: sibilus and small crepitation, of the smaller branches. No marked alteration in resonance of chest to be detected; with exception of increased resonance in emphysema, and dull percussion-note in collapse.

**TREATMENT.** Confinement to bed. Temperature of room 65° to 70° F. Air to be moistened by steam. Beef-tea, milk, arrowroot, or

gruel ; tea with milk ; soda-water and milk. Mucilaginous drinks, 19. Sarsaparilla, squills, and barley water, 238. White wine whey 10.

If there be constipation, castor oil ; or sulphate of magnesia and senna, 139. Saline draughts, 348. Salines with ipecac. and hyoscyamus and morphia, at first *coup sur coup*. Ammonia and senega, 235. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Citrate of potash, ammonia, and aconite, 211. Dry cupping, turpentine stupes, sinapisms or poultices to walls of chest. Inhalation of steam.

*Remedies sometimes advised*.—Bleeding. Blisters. Friction with croton oil, or tartarated antimony ointment. Emetics. These last sometimes most useful when asphyxia threatened by accumulation of mucus in the tubes. Tartarated antimony. Calomel. Colchicum. Hydrocyanic acid. Chlorate of potash. Laurel-water. Malt Carbolic acid. Oxalic acid. Inhalation of chlorine.

## 2. Chronic Bronchitis.—Very common in advanced life.

**SYMPTOMS.** Two chief forms : (1) without expectoration, tending to emphysema ; (2) with copious expectoration, more likely to lead to bronchiectasis. Latter, indicated by habitual cough, shortness of breath, copious expectoration : aggravated by exposure to cold and damp, bad living. Cases of “winter-cough” in old people, mostly examples of bronchial inflammation of a low lingering form.—Impaired resonance on percussion, especially low down posteriorly : on auscultation feeble vesicular murmur, mingled with rhonchus and sibilus and moist crepitation.—Dilatation of bronchi, with condensation of surrounding lung tissue, occasionally results : sometimes bronchorrhœa—excessive and fetid muco-purulent secretion.—Seldom directly fatal : may be indirect cause of death by leading to other diseases.

**TREATMENT.** Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Citrate of ammonia, 362. Ammonia and senega, 235. Chloride of ammonium, 60. Ammoniac mixture and opium, 237. Squills with ammonia and morphia, 239, or with nitric acid and bark, 236, or with tincture of iron, 236, or squills and conium, 243, squills and sarsaparilla, 238, squills and turpentine, 50. Ipecacuan and Indian sarsaparilla, 241. Nitrous ether, ipecacuan, and conium, 244. Stramonium and dulcamara, 245. Sarsaparilla and squills, 238. Compound squill pill. Benzoate of ammonia. Tolu. Guaiacum. Cod liver oil. Wine. Nourishing food. Milk.

*Locally*.—Inhalation of simple vapour. Turpentine or creosot inhalations, 260. Inhalation of ipecac.-wine or other atomised fluid 262. Counter-irritation to thoracic walls by sinapisms ; turpentin stupes ; stimulating liniments, 277, 278. Warm pitch, galbanum, chalybeate plasters. Respirator to be worn.

*Remedies sometimes recommended*.—Emetics of antimonial wi or sulphate of zinc. Tartarated antimony. Compound tincture benzoin. Copaiba. Cubebs. Creosote. Guaiacum. Digite Chlorate of potash. Storax. Sulphur and acid tartrate of pot Sumbul. Nitrate of silver (locally). Balsam of Peru (loc Blisters, ointment of tartarated antimony, or croton oil (to c

**3. Catarrhus Senilis.**—A peculiar and dangerous form of chronic bronchitis, occurring in old people. Has been described as *peripneumonia notha* (bastard peripneumony); *catarrhus senilis*; or *subacute bronchitis*.—Consists of a subacute attack of general or capillary inflammation of tubes. Symptoms insidious: catarrh; more or less dyspnoea; excessive secretion of opaque frothy mucus. Febrile condition often much relieved by remedies which produce copious expectoration. Sometimes causes fatal prostration: or patient dies from suffocation, unable to expel accumulated mucus: or deficient oxygenation of blood leads to coma.

**TREATMENT.** Ammonia and senega with ether. Stimulant emetics if asphyxia threatened. Stimulants and nourishing fluids from the first.

**4. Plastic Bronchitis.**—Rare form of bronchial disease. Characterized by formation (πλασσω, to form or figure, to make an image, &c.) of solid or tubular concretions of exudation-matter within bronchi.

**SYMPTOMS.** Expectoration of casts of tubes. Small fragments expelled easily. Expulsion of moulds of notable size preceded by dyspnoea; dry cough; hæmoptysis. Sometimes, excessive hæmoptysis; fibrinous concretions detached, but not easily expelled from tubes. Occasionally casts consisting of decolorized coagulated blood due to aneurismal or some other form of hæmorrhage. Cases of plastic bronchitis may last for years, with occasionally acute seizures.

**TREATMENT.** Remedies very ineffectual. Carbonate of ammonia, 361, 371. Iodide of potassium with ammonia. At time of hæmorrhage, gallic acid, 103; turpentine, 102; iron-alum, 116; tannin and nitric acid, 99. Nourishing food. Sea air.

**5. Mechanical Bronchitis.**—Due to inhalation of different particles which irritate bronchi. For example, grinder's rot, or knife-grinder's disease; carbonaceous bronchitis, or black phthisis, occurring in miners, from inhalation of lamp-smoke and coal dust in pits; and cotton pneumonia, or cotton phthisis, met with amongst operatives in cotton mills. To be prevented by proper respirators.—Larch or Venice turpentine (*Terebinthina laricea*), in doses of gr. 15—20 made into pills with liquorice powder, and taken thrice daily, often serviceable.

**6. Secondary Bronchitis.**—Bronchitis occurring secondarily in blood-diseases, often troublesome. *Typhoid* bronchitis, may greatly aggravate danger in enteric fever.—*Gouty*, or *rheumatic* bronchitis, will require colchicum and iodide of potassium.—*Syphilitic* bronchitis, occurs in system poisoned to secondary or tertiary degree. Causes excessive muco-purulent expectoration; night sweats; wasting; great debility. May be cured by iodide of potassium, 31. Compound pill of calomel. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Iodine inhalations, 259. Atomized iodine, or corrosive sublimate, spray, 262.

**7. Hay-Asthma.**—Synon. *Hay-Fever*; *Summer Catarrh*.—May

be described as a severe catarrh, with asthmatic symptoms super-added, due to inhalation of pollen of grasses.

**SYMPTOMS.** Conjunctival, nasal, faucial, and bronchial mucous membranes are each affected. Headache. Suffusion of eyes. Sneezing. Irritation of nose and fauces. Dry harassing cough. Paroxysmal attacks of asthma.

**TREATMENT.** May be cut short by removal from cause; residence at sea-side especially. Susceptibility sometimes destroyed by quinine and steel; arsenic; nux vomica.

*During attack* :—Nasal douche or inhalation of atomized solution of quinine (262) or of carbolic acid (262). Tincture of lobelia, 88. Ammonia and assafoetida, 86. Valerian and assafoetida, 94. Ether and opium with camphor, 85. Belladonna and zinc, 410. Stramonium. Indian hemp. Coffee. Subcutaneous injections of atropine, 314. Creosote inhalations, 261. Pipe of tobacco.

**BRONCHOCELE.**—From *Βρόγχος*, the windpipe; *κλήη*, a swelling. Synon. *Thyrocele*; *Wen*; *Goitre* by the Swiss; and in this country *Derbyshire Neck*, from its prevalence in some parts of Derbyshire.—An enlargement of the thyroid gland.

**SYMPTOMS.** The whole gland may be swollen, or only the centre, or either side—especially the right. Sometimes no inconvenience beyond the deformity. In other cases, throbbing of vessels, palpitation of heart, mental depression, dyspepsia, and other manifestations of attenuated blood, or difficult respiration and deglutition from pressure of tumour, or irregularity of uterine functions; scanty menstruation; profuse leucorrhœa.

A *cystic* form, in which cysts are developed in the gland. Their lining membrane very vascular; brown-coloured serous contents. Cystic bronchocele more uncommon than simple hypertrophy of thyroid gland.

*Exophthalmic goitre.* Synon. *Graves's disease*, which see; *Basedow's disease*. Protrusion of eyeball (proptosis oculi); strong pulsation in thyroid body; palpitation of heart with a bruit.

**TREATMENT.** Removal from locality in which it is endemic. Regular establishment of menstrual functions. Iodide of ammonium, 38. Iodide of potassium, 31. Cod liver oil. Iodide of iron, 32. Quinine and iron, 380. Bromide of iron. Steel and aloes, 393. Digitalis. Liquor potassæ. Bromide of potassium. Strychnia. Bromide of ammonium. Nourishing food. Cold bathing. Sea air.

*Locally* :—Ointment of red iodide of mercury, 302. Compound iodine ointment with cod liver oil, 303. Diluted iodine liniment. Ointment of iodide of ammonium. Ointment of iodide of potassium. Ice. Setons. Ligature of thyroid arteries. Electro-puncture. Injection with solution of perchloride of iron, or with tincture of iodine, or with solution of iodide of potassium, not free from danger. Introduction of drainage tube into cyst, after withdrawal of contents by tapping and injection of iodine. Free incision into cyst and plugging with oiled lint; so as to cause alteration or destruction of lining membrane and subsequent granulation. Excision of the cyst

a dangerous proceeding. Extirpation of the gland, unjustifiable.—See *Graves's Disease*.

**BUBO.**—From *Βουβών*, a tumour of the inguinal glands. Synon. *Adenophyma inguinalis*.—Consists either of a simple or of a specific inflammatory enlargement of a lymphatic vessel, or of one of the glands in connection with such vessel. Term "bubo" especially applied to inflammation of the inguinal glands. Superficial glands alone affected.

There are several varieties:—

(1) **SIMPLE SYMPATHETIC BUBO.**—Whatever causes lymphatic irritation may give rise to simple inflammatory adenitis. Hence it may arise from balanitis, gonorrhœa, excessive venery, &c. The action may end in resolution, or go on to suppuration.—Requires rest. Warm bathing. Tonics. Cod liver oil. Evacuation of pus.—See *Adenitis*.

(2) **PRIMARY BUBO.**—Said to form from the direct absorption of syphilitic matter, without the occurrence of any chancre or sore. Very rare. Described as *bubon d'emblée* by the French.

(3) **AMYGDALOID INDOLENT BUBO.**—Comes on simultaneously with induration in cases of infecting chancre. Suppuration only occurs from some accidental complication.—Treatment the same as for constitutional syphilis.

(4) **VIRULENT OR INOCULABLE BUBO.**—Due to absorption of virus from a soft or from a phagedænic chancre. Affected gland suppurates: walls of resulting abscess form a chancrous sore, the pus from which is inoculable.—Requires free incisions. Potassa fusa. Iodoform. Soothing and antiseptic dressings. Frequent syringing. Quinine and iron. Nourishing food.

**BULIMIC DYSPEPSIA.**—*βού*, abbreviation of *βοῦς*, as an augmentative particle; *λῆμς*, hunger,—*βούλιμος*, excessive hunger: *δυσ*, difficulty; *πέρω*, to digest.—In some cases of nervous gastric disturbance, the appetite is exaggerated; is scarcely appeased by food. Digestion may take place easily and naturally; or is accompanied with acid eructations and pyrosis. Stomach often dilated.

**SYMPTOMS.** Desire for food returns immediately after a meal. Constant hunger. Faintness and mental depression. Painful sense of sinking about præcordia.

**TREATMENT.** Cod liver oil, 389. Raw minced meat, 2. Pepsine, 420.

**BURNS AND SCALDS.**—Synon. *Ambustio* (*Amburo*, to burn around).—The danger varies according to the extent of surface injured, the degree of tissue disorganization, the importance of the organ implicated, and the age and constitution of patient. Slight burn of large area more dangerous than deep burn of small extent.

**SYMPTOMS.** Shock to system, sometimes so severe as to produce fatal syncope. Pallor and coldness of surface and extremities; *shiverings*. Rapidity and feebleness of pulse. Imperfect reaction



and exhaustion: or violent reaction with fever, and congestion or inflammation of lungs or brain or bowels: or hectic fever from tedious cicatrization, exhausting discharges, &c. In few cases can the danger be said to be over until after the lapse of nine days. Where recovery ensues, there is the fear of deformity from contraction of cicatrices.

**TREATMENT.** To bring about reaction and relieve pain, administer a full dose of opium, with mulled port wine or brandy and water: repeat the dose if necessary. Chloroform inhalation, where pain is excessive: the injured part to be dressed while patient is insensible. After reaction is well-established, a dose of castor oil or a purgative enema if there be constipation. Simple salines, where internal organs are congested or inflamed. Ice. Ammonia and bark, port wine or brandy, milk and raw eggs, beef tea with pounded meat, cod liver oil, where there is depression. In all cases, perseverance with opium or chloroform to remove pain and nervous irritability.

**Locally:**—Chief object to prevent access of air to injured surface. Immersion in cold water for many hours where only a portion of a limb is burnt. Free application of lime liniment (Carron oil) on cotton wool. Cotton wool alone, with gentle bandaging. Lint soaked in carbolic acid, diluted with olive oil, one part to six. Dusting with flour, rice flour, prepared chalk, or equal parts of starch and carbonate of lead. Crusts formed by the applications not to be removed until loosened by discharges. Dressing with sulphur ointment, or turpentine ointment, subacetate of lead ointment, carbonate of zinc in ointment or powder, zinc ointment, turpentine ointment, creosote, glycerine, sulphate of zinc lotion, solution of gum, collodion, treacle, &c. Dressing to be covered with sheets of gutta percha, or oiled silk, or tinfoil to exclude the air.

Patient to be kept in an easy position, between blankets, and on a water bed if necessary. All vesicles to be pricked, so that tension may be relieved by escape of contents; but the raised cuticle not to be displaced. When granulations form, skin grafting to promote healing and prevent contractions. The prevention of deformity to be attempted by attention to position, by movements of joints where practicable, and by lubricating cicatrix freely with oil.

**CÆCITIS.**—From *Cæcus*, blind; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Typhlitis* *Typhlo-enteritis*.—Inflammation of the cæcum or its appendix.—May be due to accumulation of hard fecal matter, skins or stones of fruit, biliary and intestinal concretions, balls of lumbrici, and oxyurides, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** In *acute* form:—Fever; nausea; constipation: often sets in with vomiting and diarrhœa, constipation supervening. Fullness and tenderness about right iliac region; pain, rendered exquisite by pressure. Position on right side selected, with trunk somewhat bent and knees drawn up, to relax painful tissues. If peritoneal coat get involved, may have evidence of general peritonitis. Areolar tissue round cæcum may also become inflamed (perityphlitis) leading to suppuration and abscess.

When inflammatory action begins in *vermiform appendix* from

constitutional causes, or escape into this part of morbid matter, symptoms are very acute. Excruciating tormina; tympanites; hiccup; violent sickness. Obstruction of bowels. Great pain, extending to right ovary or testicle and shooting down inside of thigh. Gangrene and general peritonitis may follow and cause death. Or a portion of large intestine and cæcum with appendix may slough off, be passed with stool, and yet recovery ultimately ensue. In tuberculous typhlitis, ulceration occurs more frequently in appendix than in cæcum itself.

*In chronic cæcitis*:—Symptoms come on slowly and insidiously. Failing health; weakness; loss of flesh. Colicky pains in right iliac region. Flatulence; loss of appetite. Diarrhœa alternating with constipation. If mucous coat ulcerates,—mucous discharges; attacks of hæmorrhage. When fatal, exhaustion generally the cause. Perforation rare.

**TREATMENT.** *If acute*:—Do not give purgatives, fatal perforation may be brought about. Opium. Opium and belladonna, 344. Olive oil enemata, 188. Mucilaginous drinks, 19. Chlorate of potash drink, 360. Lemonade. Ice: iced water. Prolonged hot hip baths. Fomentations. Linseed poultices. Most perfect quiet in bed. Milk diet.—*If symptoms of suppuration set in*:—Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and ammonia, 386. Brandy and egg mixture, with opium, 318. Milk or cream. Raw eggs. Essence of beef. Port wine.

*Chronic form*:—Mineral acids with quinine, 379. Iodide of ammonium and bark, 38. Cod liver oil. Warm bathing. Application of belladonna, 265. Wet compress with belladonna, 297. Simple nourishing food. Sea air.

**CANCER.**—Synon. *Carcinoma* (*Καρκίνος*, a crab).—Now generally applied to tumours having clinically the character of malignancy—i.e., tendency to invade progressively and indiscriminately adjacent parts, to ulcerate, to recur when removed, to disseminate similar growths in glands and internal organs.

Cancer has long been considered to be a blood disease, but many authorities now assert that the disease is at first local, though at an early period it becomes general.

There are two great classes of cancer or malignant disease. The *Sarcomata*, having a connective tissue type of structure, small, round or spindle cells, with no stroma but many vessels. Varieties—round-celled and spindle-celled sarcoma (recurrent fibroids), glioma in brain, osteo-sarcoma in connection with bones.

The *Carcinomata*, consisting of fibrous stroma with large cells of epithelial type in interstices, yield cancer juice in which the cells are seen.

Varieties:—

Scirrhus, or Hard Cancer.

Medullary, or Soft Cancer.

Epithelial Cancer.

Colloid, Gelatiniform, Alveolar, Cystic, or Gum Cancer.

Melanoid, or Black Cancer (often a Sarcoma).

Osteoid Cancer.

Hæmatoid Cancer, or Fungus Hæmatodes.

Villous Cancer.

**SYMPTOMS.** A separable tumour, or an infiltration; which alters the original texture of organ in which it is seated, invades surrounding parts, extends to lymphatics, and involves system generally. Softening and disintegration of the growth. Ulceration of skin or mucous membrane. A foul, excavated spreading ulcer. Sanious, fœtid discharges. Hæmorrhages. Progressive debility and emaciation. Nausea and vomiting. Diarrhœa. Complete prostration. Exhaustion. Death.

*The cancerous cachexia:* Dirty yellow hue of skin. Contracted features. General wasting. Loss of strength and energy. Mental irritability.

**TREATMENT:** *General indications:*—Maintain the constitutional powers by tonics, nourishing food, pure air, warm clothing, removal of offensive discharges, and mental occupation as long as possible.

*Relief of pain:*—Extract of opium, 343, 345. Opium with belladonna, 344. Liquid extract of opium. Morphia, 315, 329, 343. Conium, 336. Henbane. Codeia. Indian hemp, 317, 337. Ether. Chloroform. Extract of hop. Subcutaneous injections of morphia, 314. Aconite. Atropine, 326. Iodoform, 338. Opiate enemata, 339. Opiate suppositories, 340.

*Improvement of the Blood:*—Liquid extract of yellow cinchona. Bark and ammonia, 371. Bark and mineral acids, 376. Iodide of iron, 382, 390. Reduced iron, 394. Ammonio-citrate of iron, 401, 403. Phosphate of iron, 405. Quinine and iron, 380. Lemon-juice and chiretta, 377. Salicin, 388. Sarsaparilla. Sulphite of magnesia, 48. Chlorate of potash, 61. Cod liver oil, 389. Pepsine, 420.

Animal food. Milk and cream. Raw eggs. Brandy. Wine. Beer. Vichy or soda water. Wenham lake ice.

*Abatement of local growth and systematic contamination:*—Belladonna and opium, 344. Quinine and belladonna, 383. Zinc and belladonna, 332.

*Local remedies:*—Belladonna, 265, 293. Opium and belladonna, 297. Extract of poppies. Extract of conium. Iodoform. Carbonic acid gas. Oxygen gas. Charcoal poultice. Yeast poultice. Hemlock poultice. Chlorine poultice. Linseed poultice, with or without belladonna or opium incorporated. Carrot poultice. Logwood, 82. Chlorate of potash lotion. Iodide of potassium lotion. Citric acid lotion, 264. Permanganate of potash. Friction with solutions of iodide of lead, or iodide of potassium, or bromide of potassium. Perchloride of iron. Cotton wool.

*Operative treatment:*—Free excision. Excision, followed immediately by sponging entire surface of wound with solution of chloride of zinc (gr. 50 to fl. oz. j). Excision, followed by prolonged administration of belladonna, 383, 410. Ligature of nutrient arteries. Electricity. Methodical compression. Congelation. Actual cautery. Galvanic cautery. Friction and palpation.

Removal by caustics :—Chloride of zinc, 197. Chloride of zinc and puccoon. Chloride of bromine, 196. Dried sulphate of zinc. Super-sulphate of zinc, 198. Arsenical paste, 199. Sulphuric Acid Paste. Manganese cum potassa. Concentrated alkalies. Vienna paste, 204.

Subcutaneous injection of acetic acid into substance of growth : one part of strong acid to six or seven of water.

*Remedies often tried and found Valueless* :—Calomel. Corrosive sublimate. Iodine. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of mercury. Iodide of lead. Bromine. Bromide of potassium. Arsenic. Iodide of arsenic. Iodide of methyl. Sanguinaria Canadensis, or puccoon. Chloride of lime. Hydrocyanic acid.—Milk diet.—Leeches. Venesection. Blisters. Syphilization.

**CANCER ORIS.**—Sloughing phagedæna of the mouth. Occurs in young children.—See *Stomatitis*.

**CARBUNCLE.**—Dimin. of *Carbo*, "a live coal." Synon. *Anthrax* (from *Ἀνθραξ*, a coal).—Consists of severe inflammation of a circumscribed portion of skin and subjacent tissue, with infiltration of unhealthy lymph.

**SYMPTOMS.** Flattened circular swelling. Throbbing or dull aching pain. Suppuration. Bloody purulent discharge. Slough of areolar tissue. Vitiating state of the blood. Constitutional disturbance. Prostration. Fear of pyæmia.

**TREATMENT.** Poultices. Anodyne fomentations. Opium plaster. Crucial incisions. Subcutaneous incisions. Potassa fusa, rubbed into the centre until an eschar is formed, with avoidance of incisions and poultices. Injection of carbolic acid. Congelation. Acid nitrate of mercury. Nitrate of silver. Turpentine ointment. Iodine, 205. Warm bathing to remove the discharges. Cotton wool.

Podophyllin, 160. Jalap and senna, 151. Colocynth and blue pill, 172. Saline aperients with colchicum, 562. Castor oil. Chlorate of potash and steel, 402. Arsenic, 52. Tar capsules, 33. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine, 379. Peroxide of hydrogen. Opium. Morphia and Indian hemp, 317. Nourishing food. Milk. Alcoholic stimulants.

**CARDIAC ANEURISM.**—From, *Καρδιά*, the heart : *Ἀνεύρυνω*, to dilate.—Two forms of aneurism of the heart :—(1) The acute variety, depends on a laceration of endocardium and muscular tissue, through which the blood passes and makes a pouch. In this pouch fibrin is deposited, while at its entrance is a fringed margin of endocardium with vegetation attached. (2) The chronic form, results from some inflammatory condition of muscular fibre, or of endocardium. Walls of sac consist of endocardial and pericardial membranes unbroken, while the muscular fibre seems to be replaced by a fibroid tissue.—Either kind of aneurism gives rise to obscure and uncertain symptoms. Passage of blood into sac may cause a murmur. Death usually occurs suddenly from rupture, or from sudden or gradual failure of heart ; *rupture* sometimes prevented by adhesion of pericardium.

Aneurismal dilatation and rupture of *coronary arteries* not a frequent event. No symptoms during life to allow of correct diagnosis.

**CARDIAC ATROPHY.**—From *Καρδία*, the heart: 'Α, priv.; *τρέφω*, to nourish.—Two forms:—(1) That in which the heart wastes and dwindles in all its parts. (2) The texture of the muscular walls suffers a more or less complete conversion into fat.

**1. Simple Atrophy.**—Occurs in connection with many exhausting diseases,—cancer, tuberculosis, diabetes, &c. The whole heart diminishes in size: after death weight found reduced from 9 to 5 oz. Minute examination detects the muscular fibres pale and soft, but otherwise healthy. The treatment must be that demanded by the constitutional state, of which the atrophy is merely a symptom.

**2. Fatty Degeneration of Heart.**—Muscular fibres infiltrated by fatty granules. Occurs alone, or in conjunction with fatty disease of liver, kidneys, cornea. May be general, or partial when one coronary artery is obstructed. Valvular disease may or may not co-exist: when it does, aortic more generally affected than mitral valves.

**SYMPTOMS.** Feeble action of heart: slow pulse (not constant), sometimes as low as fifty or forty five. General debility. Transient attacks of giddiness or faintness. Nervous exhaustion, and loss of tone. Attacks of dyspnoea. Breathlessness on exertion. Angina pectoris. Sometimes pulmonary apoplexy, dropsy, &c. Heart's sounds weak, first, short and sharp; impulse feeble or absent. Perhaps an arcus senilis.—Occurs more frequently in men than women. Most common at advanced period of life. May cause sudden death,—perhaps from rupture.

**TREATMENT.** Nourishing animal food. Milk. Cream. Cod liver oil. Aperients. Mineral acids. Mild preparations of steel. Attention to digestive organs. Residence in pure air. Early hours. Gentle exercise. Avoidance of excitement. Tepid salt water sponge baths.

**3. Fatty Growth.**—Fat normally deposited upon the heart increased on and amongst the muscular fibres to a morbid extent. May occur alone; or in conjunction with general obesity; or in association with fatty degeneration.

**SYMPTOMS.** When existing alone the chief features are those of a heart enlarged and impeded in the performance of its functions. Pulse permanently quickened above normal standard, while its force is diminished.

**TREATMENT.** Animal food. Light French, German, or Hungarian wines. Avoidance of sugar, vegetables, oily, and starchy substances.—See *Obesity*.

**CARDIAC CANCER.**—Primary cancer of heart extremely rare. This organ is secondarily involved more frequently. Right auricle most frequent seat: sometimes perforated by the malignant growth. Disease occasionally extends along coats of large veins. It may

occur as an infiltration in muscular tissue, or as a deposit in form of tumour.

Cancer of pericardium almost invariably the result of secondary and general deposits. Sarcoma more common than scirrhus.

**CARDIAC DILATATION.**—Very common, nearly all forms of valvular and structural disease tending to produce dilatation, and unless this compensated by hypertrophy all the symptoms of failure of heart supervene. May occur under three forms:—(1) Hypertrophy of heart with dilatation: known as *active dilatation*, when the expansion predominates over the hypertrophy. (2) *Simple dilatation*, where thickness of walls is normal. (3) *Passive or attenuated dilatation*, the walls being thinned. Often combined with mal-nutrition of heart, and fatty degeneration of muscular fibres. May arise from fever, anæmia, or other exhausting disease, endocarditis, valvular disease, or pericardial adhesion; from renal disease or from bronchitis and emphysema. The chief symptoms are, a short weak pulse; coldness of extremities; giddiness, and deranged digestion. Attacks of fainting, and paroxysms of asthma; restless nights; palpitation; perhaps, anasarca followed by ascites. Physical signs: weak diffused impulse, more like a tap than a push; first sound loud, short, and sharp, second usually weak.

**TREATMENT.** Careful diet. Excitement and exertion to be avoided. Aperients. Antispasmodics, ferruginous tonics, and agents to aid digestion. Digitalis often most useful.

**CARDIAC EMBOLISM.**—The arrival in the heart of a fibrinous clot—formed in a systemic vein from phlebitis or thrombosis with or without antecedent injury or operation; or in the pulmonary veins during pneumonia, injury. Usually at once fatal.

**CARDIAC FUNCTIONAL DERANGEMENT.**—May closely simulate organic disease of heart. Occurs in cases of hysteria, ovarian or uterine irritation, neuralgia, anæmia; not uncommon in women at “change of life.” May be due to nervous exhaustion from over-study, anxiety, sexual excesses, &c.; to gout, rheumatism, or chronic kidney, or liver disease; to use of tobacco or strong tea; to dyspepsia.

**SYMPTOMS.** There may be irregular pulse, palpitation, fluttering with a cardiac murmur and subcutaneous œdema in anæmic subjects. Dull wearying ache in præcordial region: occasionally, lancinating pains. Inability to lie on left side, owing to tenderness. Mental depression. Dyspepsia: flatulence and acid eructations. Globus hystericus. Occasional attacks of giddiness, faintness, headache, noises in ears, flushings of face, violent pulsations in aorta, &c.

A special form of functional derangement of heart is extremely rapid action, 160-200 beats per minute, which may continue for many hours and even for several days. The palpitation usually ceases suddenly, and the paroxysms may come on at long or short intervals. *It affects mostly overtaxed women.*

**TREATMENT.** Allay symptoms while removing their source. Explain cause of suffering to patient. Antispasmodics and sedatives to quiet circulation,—Ether and ammonia, &c., 85. Assafoetida and ammonia, 86. Sumbul and ether, 95. Henbane, camphor, and hop, 325. Codeia and assafoetida, 328.—Where there is any connection with rheumatism,—Aconite and guaiacum, 330. Potash and ammonia, 67.—In gouty subjects,—Potash and aloes, 71. Citrate of lithia, 64. Stramonium, colchicum, and digitalis, 94. Colchicum, 46, 351, 352. Saline draughts, 348.—If there be constipation with unhealthy secretions,—Aloes and jalap, 145. Rhubarb and gentian, 146. Phosphate of soda and aloes, 149. Pepsine and aloes, 155.—If there be dyspepsia,—Carbonate of magnesia, 62. Ammonia and chiretta, 63. Potash and ammonia, 67. Soda, morphia, and hydrocyanic acid, 70. Ammonia in effervescence, 362. Bismuth, 65. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Pepsine, 420.—If there be nervous exhaustion or anæmia,—Citrate of steel and ammonia, 401, 403. Reduced iron and pepsine, 394. Phosphate of iron, 405. Steel and aloes, 404. Quinine and iron, 380. Iron and digitalis. Ammonia and belladonna or digitalis. Belladonna plaister over heart.

In all forms,—Attention to diet. Tobacco and tea to be forbidden. Malt liquors usually disagree. Brandy and soda water. Light French, German, or Hungarian wines. Exercise in pure air. Sea bathing

**CARDIAC HYPERTROPHY.**—From *Kapdia*, the heart; *ἤρ*, in excess; *τρέφω*, to nourish. Synon. *Hypertrophia Cordis*.—The heart is roughly said to be about the same size as the closed fist. Its average weight in adult male is 9½ oz.: in female, 8½. After sixtieth year, the weight is somewhat greater, owing to the thickness of walls of left ventricle having increased.

The muscular walls of one or more cavities may become thickened without any diminution in size of chamber,—*simple hypertrophy*. Or, the walls may be thickened and the chamber enlarged,—*eccentric hypertrophy*, or *hypertrophy with dilatation*. Or, the increase in thickness may be accompanied with diminution of size of cavity, this doubtful—*concentric hypertrophy*.—Hypertrophy is often beneficial: it counterbalances some impediment to flow of blood through heart, or to free play of this organ.—Hypertrophy of left ventricle is usually due to aortic valvular disease; or to chronic Bright's disease, in which there is resistance to the passage of the blood through the capillaries and arterioles; sometimes caused by adherent pericardium. Hypertrophy with dilatation of right ventricle, generally due to disease in the mitral valve causing obstruction to the pulmonary circulation, or to some chronic disease of lungs.

**SYMPTOMS.** Will depend on extent of hypertrophy and on degree of compensation of valvular or other lesions. Symptoms attributed to hypertrophy often due to valvular lesion. Frequently there are palpitations; dyspnoea; difficulty in walking quickly; uneasiness and pain about cardiac region; headache; repeated attacks of vertigo. First sound heard *less distinctly* than in health. Extent of pulsation

and degree of impulse increased. When left ventricle hypertrophied, apex displaced downward to sixth space; when right, to left beyond nipple-line. Murmurs in valvular disease.

**TREATMENT.** Circulation to be kept tranquil. If there be much debility,—Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and pepsine, 394. Steel and ammonia, 401. Phosphate of iron, 405. Bark and ammonia, 371. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid and chiretta, 378.—If heart's impulse be very great,—Aconite, 330. Digitalis, 334.—When dyspnoea is urgent,—Ammonia and ether, 364. Indian hemp, aconite, and ether, 342. Lobelia and ether, 322.

*Remedies sometimes employed* :—Bromide of potassium. Iodide of potassium. Hydrocyanic acid. Wild cherry. Calomel. Acid tartrate of potash. Acetate of lead. Henbane. Morphia. Digitaline. Camphor. Spirit of nitrous ether. Hydrosulphuret of ammonia. Blisters.

**CARDIAC RUPTURE.**—Rupture of the heart may occur spontaneously from previous disease, or may be caused by external violence. In former case, more frequent on left than right side; in latter, the reverse. Laceration of walls of ventricle most common, and the apex the part at which it occurs. Rupture of valves or their tendons, generally the consequence of prior attack of endocarditis: laceration of muscular wall frequently due to fatty degeneration, sometimes to ulceration, or to rupture of aneurism in ventricular wall.

When death does not result immediately, there is great orthopnoea; intense prostration; syncope; sometimes convulsions. In laceration of valves, of chordæ tendinæ, or of muscoli papillares,—great oppression about præcordia, with a loud endocardial bruit. It would get plugged with coagula, patient may live for even some days.

**CARDIAC THROMBOSIS.**—Formation of fibrinous coagula in one or more of the chambers of the heart. Liable to occur in conditions of blood in which there is excess of fibrin, as in the puerperal state, and in exhausting febrile diseases, when the heart has become weak and the circulation languid. Thrombi may form as a result of valvular disease, especially in the left auricle in mitral stenosis.

Small coagula may be dislodged and give rise to embolism in the pulmonary or systemic circulation. A large clot interferes with the action of the heart, produces distress and dyspnoea and death: the sounds of the heart are confused. Sometimes death is very sudden.

**TREATMENT.**—Support and stimulants. Ammonia and iodide of potassium. Ether. Ammonia may be injected into the veins.

**CARDIAC VALVULAR DISEASE.**—Most of the alterations in internal lining membrane of heart result from inflammation, either acute as in rheumatic fever, or chronic as in gout, or from overstrain, &c., which gives rise to a deposit of lymph upon or beneath the serous membrane. The valves lose their delicacy and transparency: become thick, puckered, and adherent to each other, and the tendinous cords contracted. In some cases the valves get covered with warty vegeta-



tions or excrescences ; or they may be ulcerated ; or they may become the seat of atheromatous or other deposits ; or they may be ossified.

*Effects* twofold :—Either to contract and narrow the orifice and so obstruct the passage of the blood—*valvular stenosis or obstruction* ; or by thickening and shortening the valves, to prevent them from closing the orifice, and hence permit of regurgitation of blood—*valvular insufficiency, regurgitant disease of valves, &c.* There may be only valvular obstruction, or valvular insufficiency ; often, these conditions co-exist.

*SYMPTOMS.* Shortness of breath on exertion ; in advanced stages, dyspnœa which may amount to most severe orthopnœa. Palpitation and irregular action of heart, with sounds and murmurs discoverable by auscultation. Alterations in pulse. Congestion of lungs ; bronchitis ; pneumonia ; pulmonary hæmorrhage. Hæmorrhages from nose, bronchi, or stomach. (Edema of lower extremities, sometimes of arms and face ; ascites ; hydrothorax. Dropsy more common in affections of right than of left cavities. Headache, noises in ears, vertigo, syncope, cerebral congestion, and cerebral hæmorrhage ; most urgent in aortic disease. Broken rest, startings during sleep, frightful dreams. Enlargement of liver and spleen. Disordered digestion. A peculiar appearance of countenance,—face puffed ; cheeks flushed and of purple hue ; lips congested ; eyes bright and watery.

As disease becomes aggravated, patient gets weak and very nervous. Suffers immediately from over-exertion, mental emotion, improper food, exposure to cold and wet. Subsequently, death either suddenly from syncope ; or gradually from progress of secondary affections.

*Physical signs* :—Either or both sounds of heart accompanied or supplanted by a bellows murmur (*bruit de soufflet*). A murmur may be harsh, or rough, or cooing, or whistling, or musical,—modifications of but slight importance. Of whatever character, a murmur is caused either by alterations of the valves or orifices or great vessels producing an *organic* murmur ; or by an altered state of blood, or a clot in one of heart's cavities, giving rise to an *inorganic, or functional, or hæmic* murmur.

Lining membrane, valves, and orifices of left side of heart much more frequently diseased than those of right. Signs of disease of *aortic and mitral valves* may be thus briefly given :—

*Aortic obstruction.*—Systolic murmur, often rough, at right second intercostal space and along great arteries. Pulse regular, small, and long.

*Aortic regurgitation.*—Diastolic murmur, usually smooth, at right second space, and downwards along sternum or towards apex. Pulse regular, jerking, and collapsing ; visible and audible. Most commonly there is also obstruction and the murmur is double.

In aortic disease the left ventricle becomes hypertrophied, and the apex-beat is displaced downwards.

*Mitral regurgitation.*—(The most common form of valvular disease). Systolic murmur at and to the left of the apex-beat. Pulse irregular in force and frequency, soft and weak.

*Mitral obstruction.*—Presystolic murmur of vibratory character at inner side of apex, frequently accompanied by thrill. First sound sharp. Second often reduplicated and pulmonary second sound accentuated.

In later stages the second sound ceases to be audible at the apex, and the presystolic murmur is absent, so that peculiar sharp, loud first sound at apex the only sign. When complicated by mitral or tricuspid regurgitation diagnosis difficult. Pulse usually regular, but small and weak, artery usually full between the beats.

In mitral disease the right ventricle becomes hypertrophied in consequence of obstruction to the passage of blood through the lungs, and the apex-beat is displaced to the left of its normal position.

*Tricuspid regurgitation.*—(Usually secondary to mitral obstruction or regurgitation.) Systolic murmur near ensiform cartilage. Pulsation in jugular vein.

*Murmurs in Pulmonary Artery*, usually hæmic, sometimes caused by the vessel not being overlapped by lung; can be traced from middle of left edge of sternum up towards left clavicle; cannot be heard in subclavian or carotid arteries. Pulse remains unaltered.

To determine systolic or diastolic character of a murmur, the apex-beat or the pulse in the carotid should be carefully noted during auscultation: if systolic, the bruit must be synchronous with carotid pulse; if diastolic, after it; if presystolic, just before it, and running up to the apex-beat.

**TREATMENT.** Three indications to be followed :—(1) To abate inordinate action by cautious use of sedatives. Digitalis. Belladonna. Hydrocyanic acid. Aconite. Conium. Henbane. Hop. Opium, or morphia, especially the first two. (2) To ward off or relieve results of cardiac disease,—as pulmonary congestion, pneumonia, hæmorrhage, congestions of liver and kidneys, dropsy, &c. A nutritious diet. Mercurial and saline purgatives. Blue pill, colchicum and colocynth (46). Blue pill, ipecac. and rhubarb or colocynth (171). Gamboge and blue pill, 174. Sulphate of soda, 144. Cream of tartar and buchu, 222. Cream of tartar and taraxacum, 228. Diuretics,—Squills and digitalis, 219, 224. Potash and digitalis, 220. Urea, 225. Elaterium, 157. Resin of podophyllum, 160. Digitalis and calomel, 230. Small punctures at various parts of anasarcons legs, best on dorsum of foot with use of Southey's tubes. (3) To impart strength and tone to heart. Nourishing food. French, German, or Hungarian wines. Warm clothing. Cod liver oil. Ferruginous tonics,—Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and glycerine, 392. Steel and pepsine, 394. Saccharated carbonate of iron, 396. Steel and ammonia, 401. Phosphate of iron, 405. Digitalis. Nux Vomica. Tepid salt-water sponge baths, 127.

**CARDIAC SYPHILIS.** Gummatous tumours in substance of heart walls destroying muscular fibres. Symptoms—those of weak-

ness of heart; rarely diagnosed. May prove suddenly fatal by syncope. Treatment. Iodide of potassium, &c.

**CARDIALGIA.**—From *Kαρδια*, the heart; *αλγος*, pain. Synon. *Heartburn*.—The uneasiness is popularly believed to be around the heart.—See *Gastralgia*.

**CARIES.**—From *Caries*, rottenness. Synon. *Ulceration of Bone*.—A disease of bone, characterised by an unhealthy inflammation, softening and molecular disintegration; accompanied by suppuration of surrounding soft tissues. Most frequently attacks the vertebrae, short bones, or cancellated extremities of long bones (as tibia). Frequently due to scrofula, syphilis, abuse of mercury. When caused by syphilitic taint, cranial bones often affected.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commonly obscure at first; apt to be attributed to rheumatism. Deep-seated pain. Redness and swelling of tissues over affected part. Abscess, which on bursting discharges a fetid sanious pus loaded with bony granules. On introducing a probe, it easily passes to the bone and sinks into it. Fistulous openings. Constitutional disturbance.

**TREATMENT.** Eradication of constitutional disorder. Tonics; nourishing food; cod liver oil; sea air. Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Iodide of iron, 32. Chemical food, 405. *Locally*:—Great cleanliness. Astringent lotions and injections. Other remedies failing, removal of diseased portion of bone. Escharotics (potassa fusa, chloride of zinc), where use of knife is contra-indicated.

**CATALEPSY.**—From *Καταλαμβάνω*, to restrain, or hold firmly. Synon. *Hysteria Cataleptica*.—A sudden suppression of consciousness and volition; patient remaining during attack in same position in which she happens to be at commencement, or in which she may be placed during its continuance. Seizure may last a few minutes, several hours, or one or two days. Recovery occurs suddenly as from a deep sleep, without recollection of what has occurred. Nervous and hysterical women suffer from these attacks more frequently than other persons. Danger absent; very rarely the disease ends in apoplexy or insanity, possibly when connected with chronic softening or with tumour of brain.

Absence of mind a slight form of catalepsy. True mesmerism another variety. The disease has sometimes been endemic.

For treatment see *Hysteria*.

**CATARACT.**—From *Καταβάσσω*, to confound; because the sense of vision is confounded or obscured, if not destroyed (Mayne).—Consists of an opacity of the crystalline lens, or of its capsule, or of both; the effect being to intercept the rays of light on their way to the retina. Three forms usually recognised, according to situation of opacity—viz., lenticular, capsular, and capsulo-lenticular.

**SYMPTOMS.** Hard or lenticular cataract of old people, the most common form. Met with in men and women, between fifty and seventy years of age. Causes objects to appear as if obscured by a thick cloud

or gauze : allows vision to be most clear when pupil is dilated, as by use of atropine or belladonna, or by light being dull and subdued. In advanced cases vision reduced simply to perception of light from darkness. Commonly one eye first affected, and then the other. Movements of iris natural : when pupil is dilated by belladonna, cataractous opacity can be distinctly seen with a convex glass of about one-inch focus. In commencing cataract, lenticular opacities not otherwise perceptible may be seen with the ophthalmoscope as opaque striæ, occupying either the anterior or posterior segment of the lens, and springing from the centre of the crystalline, or converging towards the centre from the circumference.

Soft or lenticular cataract of young people, may occur at any time of life. Congenital cataract of this kind. Due to disintegration of whole substance of lens, which becomes opaque and swollen. Symptoms much the same as of hard kind, except perhaps that vision is more imperfect. There appears to be some connexion between diabetes and soft cataract.

Capsular cataract may result from chronic inflammation. Opacity of a dead white colour; commonly affects part or whole of anterior wall of capsule, or it may perhaps be confined to a posterior portion.

Opacity of capsule always leads to opacity of lens, so that capsulo-lenticular cataract is common.

TREATMENT. One of three operations:—(1) *Depression, displacement*, or "*couching*," a clumsy and generally inefficient proceeding by which the lens is pushed from its natural position, so as to allow rays of light to pass through pupil to retina. (2) *Solution or absorption*, in which the body of lens is broken up, at several sittings, so that it may undergo absorption. Only suitable for soft cataract. (3) *Extraction*, in which opaque lens is removed entire through an incision in the cornea, with or without antecedent iridectomy.

**CATARRH.**—From *Karappéw*, to flow down little by little. Inflammation of mucous membrane; usually applied to inflammation of mucous membrane of some portion of air-passages. Known as *coryza*, if it affect Schneiderian membrane of nose; *gravedo*, if frontal sinuses suffer; *bronchitis*, when stress of disease falls on trachea and bronchial tubes. *Aural* catarrh, *intestinal* catarrh, are also spoken of.—Catarrh as affecting mucous lining of nose and throat, one of the commonest of diseases.

SYMPTOMS. Lassitude; pains in limbs; aching of back; sense of tightness across forehead; excessive discharge from nostrils; profuse lacrymation; hoarseness; sore throat; furred tongue; more or less feverishness; thirst; loss of appetite; quick pulse. An eruption of herpes appears upon lips; most frequently about angles or middle of lower lip.—At end of some forty-eight hours symptoms begin to subside; or disease passes into a more severe affection, acute tonsillitis, bronchitis, pneumonia, &c.

TREATMENT. Warm bath. Foot bath. Turkish bath. Powder of ipecacuan and opium. Diaphoretics. Aconite. Warm clothing. An *extra* glass or two of wine. White wine whey at bed-time.

## CELLULITIS VENENATA—CEREBRAL HÆMORRHAGE. 41

**CELLULITIS VENENATA.**—From *Cellula*, a little cell; terminal *-itis*: *Venenum*, poison, or venom. Synon. *Diffuse Cellular Inflammation*.—Diffused inflammation of the areolar tissue; arising from punctures received in dissecting the dead body, or from bites of venomous reptiles, &c. May occur without septic inoculation in unhealthy states of system, from breathing vitiated air, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Erysipelatous inflammation of areolar tissue and absorbents. Skin secondarily involved. Sometimes pleuro-pneumonia. Redness and tenderness of lymphatics. Rigors. Pain. Offensive perspiration. Suppuration. Gangrene. Delirium. Jaundice. Dyspnoea. Stupor. Fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Withdrawal of poison by suction or cupping glass. Ligature between wounded part and trunk. Caustic. Bark, 371, 376. Quinine in large doses, 379, 386. Sulphite of magnesia, 48. Chlorate of potash, 61. Tincture of perchloride of iron and glycerine, 392. Brandy and egg mixture, 17. Fomentations. Poultices. Incisions. Leeches?—See *Ichorhæmia*.

**CEPHALALGIA.**—From *Κεφαλή*, the head; *ἄλγος*, pain. Synon. *Cephalodynia*; *Dolor Capitis*.—See *Headache*.

**CEPHALOHÆMATOMA.**—From *Κεφαλή*, the head; *αἱμάτωμα*, a sanguineous tumour. Synon. *Cephalœmatoma*; *Ecchymoma Capitis Recens Natorum*; *Thrombus Neonatorum*.—A bloody tumour, developed immediately after birth, between bones of skull and pericranium. It is probably caused by long-continued pressure upon foetal head during a difficult labour.

**SYMPTOMS.** Tumour varies in size from that of a hen's egg to that of a large orange. Is generally formed on one or other of parietal bones: on right more frequently than left; and occasionally on both.—Swelling soft, circumscribed, and fluctuating; its base often becomes encircled by a hard ring, probably caused by coagulation of the plasma exudation which is poured out by irritated pericranium.

**TREATMENT.** Generally best to leave the case alone: effusion becomes absorbed in course of two or three weeks. In some instances, absorption may be hastened by use of evaporating lotions. Avoid the practice sometimes recommended of incising tumour, removing blood, and applying compression. Should suppuration take place, the pus must be evacuated, and case treated as a dangerous abscess.

A kind of false cephalohæmatoma sometimes produced by effusion of blood into areolar tissue between aponeurosis of scalp and pericranium. It requires no treatment.

**CEREBRAL HÆMORRHAGE.**—From *Cerebrum*, the brain; *Αἷμα*, blood; *ῥέγνυμι*, to break out.—Not synonymous with *apoplexy*. There may be symptoms of latter, but not necessarily. Main feature, more or less paralysis on side of body opposite to that on which clot is formed. May come on in various ways. 1. With apoplectic phenomena, on the subsidence of which hemiplegia remains. 2. During sleep, patient waking up hemiplegic. 3. Patient loses use of one side, falls

or staggers, feels faint, is giddy and confused, but does not lose consciousness. May vomit later, gradually becomes comatose (this form generally fatal). 4. Simply becomes suddenly hemiplegic. Sensation may or may not be affected.

Most common seat of hæmorrhage, corpus striatum, next thalamus, then hemisphere. It may also occur on surface, in cerebellum, crura, pons, or medulla. The special symptoms attending meningeal hæmorrhage when considerable are convulsions, coma, irregular form of paralysis. Hæmorrhage into pons or medulla is generally rapidly fatal. May give rise to various kinds of crossed paralysis; when pons affected, pupils greatly contracted. Many cases of cerebral hæmorrhage recover, provided recourse be not had to active treatment. Patient rarely seen until after the effusion, when blood-letting and purgatives powerless to remove clot, or to prevent further escape of blood. Rest in sitting posture, with a nutritious but unstimulating diet, aperients, treatment of special constitutional conditions, will effect all that is possible.

**CEREBRAL INFLAMMATION.**—The study of brain diseases is hardly sufficiently advanced to permit of a certain diagnosis between inflammation of substance of brain (*cerebritis*), and that of membranes (*meningitis*). Distinction not of great importance. In only a few instances does meningitis or cerebritis occur alone. In majority of cases the two affections are combined (*encephalitis*).

**SYMPTOMS.** Common to almost all forms of cerebral inflammation are pain in the head, vomiting (sometimes absent), a slow, frequent, or irregular pulse, often with contraction of the arterioles and high tension, irregular or sighing respiration, excavation of the abdomen, and frequently double optic neuritis.

**1. Simple Meningitis.**—From *Μηνίτις*, a membrane; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Encephalitis Membranosa*.—Inflammation of arachnoid and pia mater may arise without apparent cause; or may be produced by a fall or blow, by extension of disease from ear or nose, or by exposure to the sun. May also arise from syphilis or rheumatism; from tubercle (see *Tubercular Meningitis*).

**SYMPTOMS.** Fever. Temperature not very high. Acute pain in head. Irritability, with early and violent delirium. Frequent flushings of face, followed by pallor. Irregular or rapid pulse. Sighing, irregular respiration. Muscular twitchings. Prostration and coma.

*Inflammation of membranes over convexity of brain:*—First, a rigor; or in children, a convulsion. Then, skin gets hot and dry; pulse hard and rapid; usually vomiting comes on; bowels confined. Intense headache, increased by sound or movement. Face alternately flushed and pallid; conjunctivæ injected, eyes suffused and staring. Noisy and violent delirium sets in early. Great restlessness; muscular twitchings; strabismus. At end of three or four days, fever lessens; pulse flags, often slow but readily accelerated; tongue gets brown and dry; pupils sluggish and dilated; excitement diminishes; delirium

apt to pass into coma. In a few days more, intense prostration. When disease ends favourably, improvement very gradual: no critical sweat or diarrhoea.

*Meningitis confined to base*:—Diagnosis difficult. Sometimes convulsions or delirium at commencement; fever; squinting, contracted pupils; optic ischæmia or neuritis; frequent pulse; clenching of teeth; when round medulla, retraction of head. Coma. In other cases, pain in temples; vomiting, constipation; wry-neck; loss of appetite; a desire for repose. After a few days, vacant look; dejection; intelligence clear; pulse and skin natural. Headache unrelieved. Coma, sometimes ushered in by severe convulsions, ending in death.

*Inflammation of dura mater*:—Frequently the result of violence: of disease of cranial bones, particularly of petrous portion of temporal or of ethmoid. Chronic affections of ear and nose in children, regarded as trifling, may end fatally by rapid extension of morbid action to dura mater.

TREATMENT. See *Acute Encephalitis*.

**2. Cerebritis.**—From *Cerebrum*, the brain; terminal *-itis*.—Partial or general inflammation of brain substance without meningitis. Of rare occurrence.

**SYMPTOMS.** Persistent deep-seated pain in head; general malaise and vomiting; impairment of vision and hearing; confusion of ideas with failure of memory; convulsive paroxysms, ending in paralysis or coma. Mental disturbance varies considerably according to part of brain affected. After three or four days there may be a copious effusion of serum: symptoms of compression. Sometimes, inflammation ends in abscess; suppuration occurring without exciting any suspicion.

TREATMENT. See *Acute Encephalitis*.

**3. Acute Encephalitis.**—From *Ἐγκέφαλος*, that which is in the head; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Meningo-cerebritis*; *Phrenitis*.—The inflammation gives rise to more or less complicated phenomena during life, according to degree and extent to which brain and its membranes are involved. Post-mortem appearances: meningeal congestion, with effused lymph or serum or pus; vascularity, varying from bloody points, or a scarlet tinge, to a dusky redness of brain substance at affected part; with occasionally softening, or suppuration.

**SYMPTOMS.** Earliest indications, fever; vomiting; acute headache; sharp and hard and irregular pulse; constipation; impatience of light and sound; watchfulness; a look of oppression or sullenness; suffusion of eyes; hyperæmia of optic discs; confusion of thought or even delirium. These symptoms most marked when meningitis predominates.—After from twelve hours to two days, second stage of the complaint sets in—period of collapse. State of stupor; articulation difficult or indistinct; vision and hearing dull; pupil—from having been contracted to a pin's point—becomes dilated; optic neuritis; perhaps squinting, and paralysis of muscles of eyelids; frequent twitchings of

muscles; ghastly countenance; sordes on gums and teeth; cold sweats; relaxation of sphincters; convulsive paroxysms, paralysis, and profound coma, which usually soon ends in death.—Occasionally the first symptom, a sudden attack of convulsion; perhaps occurring without previous illness, or preceded by headache and slight complaints which have passed on unnoticed. Convulsion generally long and severe: may be followed immediately by coma, which is soon fatal; or it may recur frequently at short intervals, and pass into coma at end of twenty-four hours. When nausea and vomiting are earliest symptoms, disease has probably had its origin in cerebral pulp; when attack begins with a convulsion, the inflammation has started from arachnoid or pia mater (Watson).

In all forms of this dangerous complaint, symptoms variable. Caution necessary against insidious character which many cases assume, and deceitful appearances of amendment. Disease rare. May end fatal in a few hours, or patient may struggle on for two or three weeks.

**TREATMENT.** Calomel and jalap, followed by sulphate of magnesia, 140. Jalap and senna, 151. Calomel and scammony, or jalap, 159. Antimony and sulphate of magnesia, 152. Croton oil, 168. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. "More recoveries from head-affections of the most alarming aspect take place under the use of very strong purging than under any other mode of treatment" (Abercrombie). Mercury as calomel or blue pill or grey powder. Iodide of potassium (grs. 3 to 8 every four or six hours). Bromide of potassium, gr. 10—15, every four hours. Tincture of aconite. Milk diet. Head to be shaved. Pounded ice in a bladder, to scalp; or cold evaporating lotions, 273. Excess of temperature reduced, and excitement calmed, by pouring cold water in a stream upon vertex of head. It must be remembered that cold to head exercises a very depressing influence: hence, case must be carefully watched. As soon as extreme collapse sets in from exhaustion of nervous force, stimulants will be needed. Ammonia. Spirit of ether. Brandy or wine. Strong beef tea. Milk or cream.

*Remedies sometimes employed:*—General and local bleeding. Drastic purgatives, long continued. Antimony. Digitalis. Opium combined with antimony. Blisters, or ointment of tartarated antimony to scalp, after shaving. Mustard pediluvia.

**4. Tubercular Meningitis.**—Synon. *Acute Hydrocephalus*; *Water Brain Fever*.—Acute inflammation of brain not uncommon in children under five years of age. The disease may occur in those previously healthy when it is a form of *simple* encephalitis. Most frequently the children are scrofulous; the inflammation being a result of tubercular deposit in brain or membranes. It is then known as *tubercular meningitis*. Formerly named acute hydrocephalus.

**POST-MORTEM APPEARANCES.**—Tubercular meningitis almost always basic. Exudation of yellow lymph or serum at interpeduncular space and adjacent parts, minute granulations (tubercular) in membranes here; often well seen in fissures of Sylvius. Much fluid in



ventricles and frequently softening of surrounding brain substance. Tubercles nearly always present in other organs.

**SYMPTOMS.** Various and uncertain. Often simulates typhoid or infantile remittent fever. *Premonitory stage*.—Indications of mal-nutrition; loss of flesh. Signs of strumous diathesis. Short dry cough; peevishness; occasional headache, giddiness, and other warnings of cerebral congestion; feverishness, with exacerbations and remissions; capricious appetite; tongue furred and breath offensive; sickness and constipation. Child drowsy, yet restless; moans or grinds his teeth; wakes in alarm and screams. These symptoms may be present for weeks or even months, and are considered to indicate the presence of tubercles.

When inflammation sets in three stages are described, but they are not always recognisable, and the disease is often obscure and uncertain till convulsions or coma set in.

*First stage; stage of excitement or of quick pulse.*—Child wishes to be left quiet. Countenance alternately flushed and pale, expressive of suffering; eyes closed and eyebrows knit. Pupils contracted, intolerance of light and sound; purposeless vomiting; bowels usually confined. If old enough to reply to questions, complaint made of headache and weariness and sleeplessness; frequent exclamations—"Oh, my head!" Sometimes delirium; pulse frequent; abdomen retracted. *Tâches Cérébrales* elicited.

*Second stage; stage of depression or of slow pulse.* Pulse less frequent, perhaps falling from 140 to 80; irregular; made more rapid by exertion or excitement. Remission of all symptoms. Amendment of short duration. Stupor and heaviness come on. Squinting. Child lies insensible, probably picking his nose and lips with tremulous fingers. Convulsions; perhaps paralysis. Urine and fæces passed unconsciously.

*Transition to third stage*, at end of a week or two, effected gradually by drowsiness passing into profound coma, or abruptly by convulsion leaving coma. Pupils dilated and insensible. Pulse gets very feeble and frequent; extremities lose their warmth, cold clammy sweat breaks out. Paralysis, perhaps convulsions. Sometimes death does not occur for several days.

In tubercular meningitis, characteristic appearances of ischæmia or optic neuritis may generally be observed at fundus of eyeball, by ophthalmoscope, before convulsive period sets in. These are,—(1) Swelling and redness of papilla, which is no longer defined, with spots of congestion in retina and choroid. (2) Dilatation of retinal veins about papilla. (3) Varicosity and flexuosity of these veins. (4) Thrombosis of same. And (5) in some instances, serous infiltration with retinal hæmorrhages from rupture of veins (Bouchut).

Tubercular meningitis in *adult* usually preceded by history of previous lung affection. Amelioration of chest disease. Symptoms may early assume an apoplectic or a convulsive form. More frequently they come on gradually with vomiting, slight fever, acute pain in head; patient seems unable to collect his thoughts, is peevish and irritable, desirous only to be left quiet; there may be mutism and

somnolence; pulse irregular and feeble. In second stage, depression increases; greater mental dulness or delirium; clonic or tonic spasms. In third stage, sphincters relax; increasing stupor; paralysis; death.

**TREATMENT.** Bowels to be cleared out by calomel and jalap. Iodide, or bromide of potassium, or both, with small doses of tincture of aconite, according to age. Cold evaporating lotions to head, 273. If child be teething, employ gum lancet when gum is tender and hard and swollen. Where there is depression of vital powers use stimulants—ammonia, ether, port wine. If symptoms be subacute, hypophosphite of lime or soda and bark. Cod liver oil. Sea air. Pure milk.

**5. Chronic Encephalitis.**—May follow acute inflammation; more frequently an independent primary disorder.

**SYMPTOMS.** Of a subacute character. Very diversified: allied to those which mark commencement of insanity. Great mental excitement, or depression. Delusions. Hesitation in speaking, or slight stammering. Stiffness of some muscles. Slight headache. Loss of appetite. Constipation. Irregularity of pulse. Subsequently, symptoms become more marked; memory fails, external senses get impaired, paralysis, break up of general health. Disease may last for only a few months, or for years.

**TREATMENT.**—Attempts to combat symptoms as they arise. Hygienic measures to improve general health. Attention to digestive and uterine organs. Cod liver oil. Small blisters behind ears, often repeated. A seton in nucha. Sometimes, inunction of shaved scalp with iodide of potassium, or red iodide of mercury, ointment.

**6. Induration of Brain.**—Synon. *Sclerosis*.—Termination of acute or chronic inflammation. Indurated portion of small extent: presents appearance of wax, or white of egg boiled hard. Symptoms obscure.

*Disseminated Cerebro-Spinal Sclerosis or Induration.*—Small indurated patches are distributed in varying number in the brain and spinal cord, mostly in the white substances; they turn pinkish on exposure. The symptoms vary according to the number and situation of the sclerosed patches; the most characteristic are tremor of the limbs and shaking of the head whenever the muscles are in action; during repose there is no movement. The lips and tongue usually also tremble when the patient speaks, and the speech is slow and tremulous. Intellect enfeebled; Epileptoid attacks not uncommon.

Treatment rarely of any service.—Nitrate of silver, iodide of potassium. Mercury may be tried.

**7. Abscess of Brain.**—Usually due to injury, or to disease of internal ear and petrous bone, more rarely of nose and ethmoid. May be *acute*, when symptoms those of severe cerebritis, pain in head, vomiting, fever, delirium, ending in coma; or *chronic*, when very *insidious*, headache, dulness of intellect, &c.; sometimes hemiplegia

gradual in access; occasionally convulsions and death from bursting of abscess into ventricle. Double optic neuritis usually present.

**TREATMENT.** Mercury or iodide of potassium.

**8. Softening of Brain.**—Softening, or *Ramollissement*, may be inflammatory, but is more commonly atrophic, and caused by imperfect blood-supply due to arterial degeneration or obstruction. General symptoms of chronic *cerebral softening*:—More or less severe and persistent pain in head. Sudden and short attacks of vertigo. Diminution of intellectual power, slow and hesitating speech, embarrassment in answering questions, depression of spirits, tendency to shed tears on any excitement. Prickings and twitchings in limbs, perhaps pain or numbness. Tendency to sleep, especially after meals. More or less impairment of vision and hearing. While mental faculties impaired, appetite often good, and patient may get fat. In inflammatory softening, headache more acute than in other forms; limbs become the seat of painful cramps, stiffness or contractions; paralysis with spasm not uncommon; permanent contraction of flexor muscles of one or both extremities; general sensibility more acute.—In more advanced stage of either inflammatory or non-inflammatory form:—Paralysis of a limb, or of one-half of body, coming on suddenly without loss of consciousness. Patient easily confused; has a difficulty in answering questions, and in making himself understood. Speech slow and sometimes syllabic; articulation indistinct. Feebleness: weak and intermitting pulse. Vomiting and constipation. Difficulty in emptying bladder. Involuntary escape of stools. Respiration laboured; at last becomes stertorous. Coma, ending in death. Disease most common after fiftieth year.

*Acute Ramollissement* (from *Ramollir*, to make soft), or *red softening* of brain, formerly considered inflammatory, usually from embolism or other obstruction in a cerebral artery. Affected portion reduced to consistence of cream; if of limited extent, absorption may take place, leaving a yellow patch.

**SYMPTOMS.** Vary with part affected; usually hemiplegia coming on suddenly without loss of consciousness; later, some of symptoms described in previous paragraph.

*White softening*, met with in aged persons. Insufficient supply of blood to brain, owing to disease of cerebral arteries, or obstruction by fibrinous masses, probably leads to fatty degeneration of brain tissue. Portions most frequently affected,—grey matter of convolutions at base, optic thalami, corpora striata.

*Softening of cerebellum*:—Attended with fixed pain at back of head, especially on diseased side. Occasional amaurosis; hemiplegia or paraplegia; a tendency to walk backwards; tottering gait; vertigo; semi-convulsive agitation of limbs; obtuse hearing; aphonia. No two cases exactly alike. Abscess of cerebellum sometimes due to disease of ear and mastoid cells.

**9. Tumours of Brain.**—Simple or malignant; glioma, syphiloma, scrofulous, or tubercular tumours; hydatids.

**SYMPTOMS.** Often obscure. The most constant are pain in head, vomiting, and double optic neuritis. Other symptoms according to situation of growth; if on surface, convulsions; if in motor ganglia, hemiplegia; if involving crus cerebri, pons, or medulla oblongata, some form of cross paralysis; if cerebellum, unsteady gait, loss of energy, &c.

**10. Hypertrophy and Atrophy of Brain.**—*Hypertrophy* of cerebral hemispheres has occurred in children: more common between 20 and 30 years of age. Increase of volume due to connective tissue. If skull increases as brain gets over-developed there may be an absence of symptoms, until a sudden attack of convulsions ends in death. When bony case does not enlarge, there are necessarily indications of compression: mental disturbance, varying from slight dulness of intellect to complete idiocy. Headache; vertigo; loss of muscular power or paralysis; unaltered or very slow pulse; severe epileptic convulsions. Death in latter, or from subsequent coma.

*Atrophy* may vary from a complete absence of cerebral hemispheres incompatible with extra-uterine life, to a simple incomplete development of certain convolutions above ventricles. When atrophy affects one side only, life may be uninterfered with for some time.

**CHAPPED HANDS.**—May be due to imperfect drying after washing; to use of irritating substances,—common yellow soap, &c.; to cold; to wearing coarse woollen gloves which fret the hand when moist from perspiration.

**TREATMENT.** Thorough drying after washing. Dusting with powdered starch; spermaceti; white bismuth; oxide of zinc; carbonate of zinc. Camphor and vaseline. Glycerine soap. Glycerine and starch. Pure honey soap. Glycerine and water—equal parts. Collodium. Ointment of oxide of zinc. Ointment of carbonate of lead. Ointment of subacetate of lead. Ointment of spermaceti. Diluted citrine ointment, 305. Ointment of balsam of Peru and spermaceti, 306. Lotion of nitrate of lead (gr. 10 to fl. oz. j).

**CHICKEN POX.**—Synon. *Varicella*.—A trifling infectious complaint, almost peculiar to infants and young children. Runs through all its phases in six or eight days. Consists of an eruption of pimples, which on second day become converted into transparent vesicles surrounded by slight redness. Rash comes out in successive crops on all parts of the body, and affects the scalp, but usually spares the face; about fourth day the vesicles form small scabs, which rapidly desiccate. No constitutional disturbance of importance: accompanying pyrexia slight. A gangrenous variety mostly ending fatally has been met with.

Occurs but once to same person. Has a long period of incubation, 14 to 20 days. Requires no treatment beyond attention to bowels, and restricted diet. Quinine, bark, steel wine, or cod liver oil, often needed during convalescence. May leave boils or pustular eruption.

**CHILBLAIN.**—From the Saxon *Cēle*, cold; *blēgen*, a boil or ulcer—i.e., a blain caused by chilliness or cold (Mayne). Synon. *Pernio*.—A subacute inflammatory swelling, due to cold and the premature restoration of the circulation by heat.

**SYMPTOMS.** A feeble circulation,—cold feet and hands. In the first stage, swelling and slight redness and pain or itching; in the second, vesication; in the third, ulceration or sloughing. Parts most exposed, and where circulation is weakest, most prone to suffer. Occurs in weakly constitutions, strumous children.

**TREATMENT.** Bark and port wine. Milk; nourishing food. Cod liver oil. Chemical food, 405. Avoid quickly exposing hands and feet when cold to heat. Fire in bed-room. Warm stockings and gloves. Avoidance of tight shoes. Friction with compound camphor, arnica, soap, opium, or turpentine liniment. Painting with tincture of iodine. To relieve itching, lime liniment or glycerine. Sulphurous acid spray in early stage. When vesication or ulceration occurs, water dressing or poultices; collodion and castor oil varnish, 285; resin or turpentine ointment. Diluted nitrate of mercury ointment. Nitrate of silver.

**CHIMNEY SWEEPER'S CANCER.**—A rather uncommon form of epithelial cancer. Very rare in Scotland, France, &c. Produced by irritation of soot lodged in folds of prepuce or scrotum, in individuals predisposed to cancer.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commence as a tubercle or wart. After a variable interval, a fungous sore with ragged edges forms; which spreads and causes great pain, and presents all the frightful characters of malignant ulceration. Superficial inguinal glands usually but not invariably become secondarily affected. General health breaks down. Death sometimes hastened by hæmorrhage.

**TREATMENT.** Destruction of the soot-wart by chloride of zinc, or super-sulphate of zinc, or chromic acid. Extirpation. When disease is more advanced, excision may retard its progress; provided inguinal glands have not become involved. Sooner or later a return is to be feared.—See *Cancer*.

**CHLOASMA.**—From *Χλωδξω*, to be of a greenish, yellow colour. Synon. *Pityriasis Versicolor*; *Macula Hepatica*; *Liver Spot*.—A parasitic cutaneous disease.—See *Tinea*.

**CHLOROSIS.**—From *Χλωρds*, green. Synon. *Pallor Virginum*; *Green Sickness*.—A peculiar form of anæmia, affecting young women, about the age of puberty. The red blood corpuscles are pale, small, and diminished in number. The serum is in excess.

**SYMPTOMS.** Wax-like hue of face, yellow pallor of skin, whence popular name of "green sickness." Deficient or depraved appetite. Constipation. Abundant limpid urine. Weak quick pulse. Shortness of breath. Pale scanty menstrual discharge. Leucorrhœa. Hysteria. Listlessness. Headache. Backache. Pain in Side. Palpitations.

Cardiac and vascular murmurs. Not uncommonly œdema of the legs. Occasionally enlargement of thyroid and protrusion of eyeballs.

TREATMENT.—Good living. Pure air. Sea bathing. Chalybeates. Aloetic aperients.—See *Anæmia*.

**CHOLÆMIA.**—From *Χολή*, bile ; *αἷμα*, blood.—The morbid state in which bile exists in the blood, owing to its re-absorption after having been formed by the liver.—See *Jaundice*.

**CHOLERA.**—From *Χολάς*, the bowels ; *ῥέω*, to flow ; or, according to some authors, from *Χολή*, bile, and *ῥέω*. Synon. *Epidemic*, *Malignant*, *Asiatic*, or *Algide* (*Algeo*, to be cold) *Cholera*.—An epidemic disease ; conveyed from place to place by human intercourse ; not directly contagious in a high degree ; probably spread by contamination of drinking water by choleraic discharges.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sometimes preceded by simple diarrhœa : more frequently comes on suddenly without warning ; often in night about 2 or 3 A.M. Presents three stages :—(1) Diarrhœa and vomiting. (2) In addition, contracted pupil, spasms, cramps, coldness of body, and intermitting pulse. (3) Suppression of urine ; collapse.

In detail these symptoms are copious vomiting, and purging in most cases, at first painless and without effort ; stools consist of an abundance of water, with flocculi of coagulated albumen (imparting rice-water appearance), a trace of biliary matter, and a large amount of salts (especially chloride of sodium). (2) Very shortly, severe cramps in lower extremities and abdomen, rendering muscles as hard as wood, or drawing them into knot-like masses. (3) Perhaps albuminuria, followed by suppression of urine. Urgent thirst. Diminished circulation and impeded respiration : hence, intense prostration, icy coldness of surface and tongue and breath. Lividity or blueness of lips and skin generally. Unnatural and whispering voice. Shrinking of whole body. Pinched features : muddy looking complexion : sinking of eye, with contracted and immobile pupil, and flattening of cornea :—the whole so peculiar that the expression is spoken of as the *facies cholericita*. Notwithstanding coldness of surface, complaint is made of oppression : patient often likes to lie uncovered. There soon follows a gradual lessening of breathing ; a thread-like pulse ; a clear intellect ; and a complete arrest of circulation.—Patients who survive eighteen hours frequently show signs of amendment : occasionally get well rapidly ; pulse rising, and rice-water evacuations being replaced by stools containing bile. But often, improvement only transient : stools, though less frequent, are free from bile ; suppression of urine continues ; and death is preceded by headache, drowsiness, tonic or clonic spasms, vomiting, stertor, and coma. In more favourable cases, a mild febrile exacerbation follows and subsides gradually in a few days : or this consecutive fever is of a more severe type, and a low typhoid condition follows.

TREATMENT. *Prophylactic* :—Sanitary laws to be strictly obeyed. Avoidance of all doubtful food and impure water ; of too long abstinence from food ; of purgative medicines ; of over-fatigue ; of intem-

perance, uncleanness, and of breathing vitiated air. Sulphuric acid lemonade to be taken as usual drink. Any tendency to diarrhoea to be checked by recumbent position; warm bath; sinapisms or linseed poultices to abdomen; very plain food; and simple astringents, ether, or spirit of chloroform.

*Curative* :—Only three points seem certain :—Except during the premonitory stage the purging is not to be checked; opium is most injurious; and the patient is to have cold water, or soda water, and ice ad libitum.

Dr. William Stevens' plan was more successfully used than any other, on a large scale, in the prison of Coldbath Fields, during 1832 :—Patients presenting premonitory symptoms were removed into an observation ward, where an even temperature was constantly maintained. A Seidlitz powder was immediately given : if sinking were felt without purging, three or four teaspoonfuls of sulphate of magnesia were added to powder. These agents acting freely, plenty of thin and well-salted beef tea was given : thirst was relieved with seltzer, soda, or pure water without stint : if there were any pains, a sinapism was applied over gastric region. Most of the cases were thus cured.—If, however, cramps, coldness, or sinking of pulse came on, the following was given about every half-hour :—Chloride of sodium, gr. 20; carbonate of soda, gr. 30; chlorate of potash, gr. 7;—dissolved in water. If much irritability of stomach existed, a large sinapism was applied; if much heat or burning pain, an additional quantity of carbonate of soda was added to mixture.—In cases in stage of collapse, a strong solution of same salts, dissolved in hot water (100° F.), was thrown into rectum, and repeated every two or three hours. Sinapisms to stomach and between shoulders. Frictions with warm towels. Air of ward kept perfectly pure.

Dr. A. C. Macleod, after twenty years of Indian practice, recommends :—Calomel, in ten-grain doses, every half or even every quarter of an hour. A large blister to loins. Diffusible stimulants, regulated by state of pulse. Draughts of cold water ad libitum. Hot water bottles to feet. Assiduous rubbing, by three or four attendants, of abdomen and extremities with cajuput oil : while in intervals of friction, the abdomen is to be covered with spongio-piline sprinkled with the oil.

According to the Cholera Report of the Royal College of Physicians (London, 1854), no appreciable effects followed the administration of calomel, even after a large amount in small and frequently-repeated doses had been administered. For the most part it was quickly evacuated by vomiting or purging, or if retained, was afterwards passed from bowels unchanged.

All authorities agree that patient should be isolated as far as possible. To be surrounded with pure air. To be kept in the recumbent posture. To avoid all water drawn from a well near any sewer. To have excretions received in a pan containing some disinfectant fluid, and immediately thrown away. Great caution with regard to diet during convalescence. Broths and farinaceous substances, without any solids whatever, until the biliary and renal acere-

tions have been fully re-established, and all symptoms have vanished.

*Remedies which have had advocates:*—Bleeding. Cupping. Dry cupping. Exhausting apparatus of M. Junod. Blisters. Emetics. Purgative enemata. Astringent and opiate enemata. Injections of warm water, or of saline solutions, into veins. Inhalation of oxygen gas: of nitrous oxide. Sulphur. Sulphuric acid. Nitric acid. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Quinine. Ipecacuanha. Indian hemp. Opium. Belladonna. Subcutaneous injections of atropine: of morphia: of sulphate of quinine: of camphor and turpentine: of curare. Injection into veins, during hopeless collapse, of warm water to the extent of several ounces: of warm water containing  $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. of phosphate of soda and same quantity of common salt: of artificial serum. Brandy. Cajuput oil. Castor oil. Croton oil. Creasote. Carbolic acid. Chloroform. Nitrite of amyl. A dilute alcoholic solution of liquor potassæ. Charcoal. Permanganate of potash. A highly concentrated solution of camphor in alcohol (the "Rubini" specific). Saturated solution of camphor and chloroform. Ether. Sugar. Arsenic. Chloride of potassium. Sulphate of copper. One single large dose of calomel (30 grains). Acetate of lead. Logwood. Nitrate of silver. Infusion of Mikania Guaco. Petroleum. Phosphorus. Sumbul. Turpentine. Inoculation with quassia. Wet-sheet packing. Cold affusion. Hot baths, followed by cold affusion. Hot air baths. Vapour baths. Hot water baths. Mustard baths. Ice to spine. Galvanism. Actual cautery along spinal column. Vesication with boiling water. Acupuncture of heart.

The treatment most worthy of further trial is subcutaneous injection of morphia or atropia or chloral, which should be introduced deeply into the substance of a muscle, as the cutaneous circulation is suspended. Medicines taken by the mouth have little chance of absorption.

**CHOLESTERÆMIA.**—From  $\chiολη$ , bile;  $στερεος$ , solid; and  $αίμα$ , blood.—Blood-poisoning, owing to the non-elimination of cholestérine by the liver.—See *Acholia*.

**CHOREA.**—*Xopela*, a dancing or jumping; from  $\chiορος$ , a dance accompanied with singing. Synon. *Chorea Sancti Viti*; *St. Vitus' Dance*.—A disease characterised by irregular, and often ludicrous actions of voluntary muscles, especially those of face and limbs; there being incomplete subserviency of affected muscles to the will. Has been called "insanity of the muscles"—a better name "delirium of the sensori-motor ganglion." Mostly attacks girls between sixth and fifteenth years, though not uncommon in boys.

**SYMPTOMS.**—At commencement, slight clonic spasms of facial muscles, or of limbs on one side. By degrees almost all voluntary muscles affected. Child cannot keep quiet, though movements are to some extent under control of will: constant restlessness of hands and arms, perhaps of legs; most marked when patient sees she is watched. Features curiously twisted and contorted: vacancy of



countenance. Articulation impeded. Temper irritable. Irregular appetite. Perhaps constipation. One half of body usually more affected than the other: disease may be confined entirely to one side—hemichorea. During sleep, irregular actions cease.

During progress, endocarditis or pericarditis may supervene. An anæmic murmur sometimes audible at base of heart. Or an organic murmur at apex. Sometimes sugar present in the urine. Rheumatic fever may precede, accompany, or follow chorea. Rarely terminates in epilepsy. Rarely dangerous to life except after puberty, or when secondary to endocarditis, in latter case often fatal.

**TREATMENT.** Nourishing food and general care will cure many cases. Regulation of bowels and of uterine functions if patient has reached the age of puberty; purgatives often very useful. Saccharated carbonate of iron, 396. Steel and ammonia, 401. Steel and arsenic, 399, or arsenic and nux vomica. Quinine, steel, and arsenic, 381. Steel and zinc, 414. Oxide, or sulphate of zinc, 415. Chemical food, 405. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, with bark, 419. Conium in large doses. Cod liver oil, 389. Nutritious diet: milk. Ether spray along spine. Cold shower bath. Sea bathing. Exercise in pure air. Gymnastic exercises. Avoidance of mental excitement, long lessons, &c.

*Remedies sometimes recommended:*—Antimony. Valerianate of ammonia. Iodine. Calabar bean. Nitrate of silver. Sulphate of copper. Belladonna. Atropine. Indian hemp. Stramonium. Strychnia. Bromide of potassium. Hydrate of chloral. Turpentine. Assafoetida. Salts of cerium. Inhalation of chloroform. Sulphur baths. Galvanism. Blisters to spine.

**CHOROIDITIS.**—From *Χόριον*, skin; *εἶδος*, shape; terminal *-itis*.—Inflammation of the choroid,—the second, or vascular and pigmentary, tunic of the eyeball. Rarely or never seen alone: inflammation rapidly spreads to neighbouring textures of eye, producing disorganization, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Intolerance of light, lachrymation, dimness of vision, and supra-orbital pain. Engorgement, more or less extensive, of conjunctival vessels. Displacement of pupil. Thinning of sclerotic, so that choroid is seen through it (*staphyloma scleroticæ*). Opacity of cornea. Enlargement of globe: sometimes suppuration and formation of fungous growths.

**TREATMENT.** Aperients. Calomel and opium. Arsenic. Warm baths and fomentations. Blisters to nape of neck. Leeches. Tartar emetic ointment to temples.

**CHYLOUS URINE.**—From *Χυλός*, the nutritive juice formed by digestion,—chyle. Synon. *Chyluria*; *Galacturia*; *Chylodibetes*; *Chylorrhœa Urinalis*.—The excretion of urine of a milky appearance from the presence of fatty matter in a molecular state. In addition, there is generally present one or more of following,—blood corpuscles, fibrin, albumen, and an imperfect albumen (albuminose?). The urine after standing a short time, and sometimes whilst in the bladder, coagulates into a trembling mass resembling blancmange or common

size, which speedily breaks up again. Mostly met with in natives of East and West Indies, Mauritius, Brazil, &c. Found by Dr. T. R. Lewis to be associated with presence of immature *filariæ* in the blood. The parent worm is lodged in a lymphatic vessel, blocking it up (Manson), and causing the escape of lymph into the urinary tract while it discharges the embryos which are found in the blood.

**SYMPTOMS.** Lassitude. Pains about loins and epigastrium. Mental anxiety. Debility, and loss of flesh. Attacks intermit: urine healthy, for months, and then chylous for months.

**TREATMENT.** Gallic acid (gr. 20—80 thrice daily). Decoction of mangrove bark (*Rhizophora racemosa*). Tincture of perchloride of iron. Quinine and steel. Ammonio-citrate of iron. Cod liver oil, Opium. Turkish baths. Salt water baths. Tight belt worn round loins. Change of air,—a bracing temperature climate. Nourishing diet.

**CIRRHOSIS OF LUNG.**—From *Κιρρὸς*, yellowish or tawny.—A consolidation or contraction of more or less of pulmonary tissue, accompanied with dilatation of bronchi.—See *Pulmonary Condensation*.

**CLITORITIS.**—From *Κλητήρ*, one who calls or invites; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Penis Muliebris*.—The clitoris occasionally attacked with subacute inflammation; leading to great hypertrophy, or to cystic degeneration. May also be excessively developed, from some congenital malformation. Sometimes the seat of cancerous infiltration. Entire organ found diseased, or only its prepuce.

Clitoris occasionally becomes indurated, with or without enlargement. Said to be due to self-abuse. The organ has been amputated to cure this practice, but with very doubtful benefit.

**CLUB-FOOT.**—Synon. *Talipes*; from *Talipedo* (talus and pedo), to walk on the ankles.—A gradual change in the forms and positions of the tarsal bones, owing to undue action or paralysis of certain muscles, or contraction of tendinous structures. May be congenital or acquired. One or both feet affected. Four principal varieties:—

1. **TALIPES EQUINUS.**—A rigid contraction of tendo Achillis, so that the heel cannot be brought to the ground, and the patient walks on the metatarsal bones. Horse-heel sometimes occurs during first dentition. When congenital—*i.e.*, not caused by irritation of teething, worms, &c.—a cure is generally effected by subcutaneous division of tendo Achillis.

2. **TALIPES VARUS.**—The heel is raised, inner edge of foot drawn upwards, and outer edge rests on the ground. In extreme cases, patient walks on dorsum of foot and outer ankle. There is contraction of muscles of calf and adductors of foot. The tendons of tibialis anticus and posticus, as well as that of flexor longus digitorum, have to be divided; and subsequently the tendo Achillis.

3. **TALIPES VALGUS.**—The reverse of *T. varus*. Outer edge of foot drawn upwards, so that patient rests on inside of instep and inner

ankle. Chiefly due to contraction of tendons of peronei muscles, which have therefore to be cut.

4. TALIPES CALCANEUS.—Elevation of toes with a falling of heel, so that patient walks on latter. Owing to paralysis of muscles of calf, there is no counteraction to contraction of those of anterior tibio-fibular region. Tendons of tibialis anticus, long extensors of toes, and peroneus tertius may all need section before the foot can be brought to proper position.

*Mixed or compound varieties* of foregoing not uncommon. Their nature explained by the names:—TALIPES EQUINO-VARUS, T. EQUINO-VALGUS, T. CALCANEO-VALGUS.

The principle on which subcutaneous tenotomy is resorted to, is simple. The cut surfaces of the tendons heal by connective tissue, which lengthens the tendon and admits of considerable extension while recent. In many cases a cure can be obtained without operation when treatment adopted early.—By removal of sources of irritation; fomentations and frictions of rigid muscles; tonics, good food, sea-bathing, &c.; anti-rheumatic remedies; and the proper application of wood or gutta-percha splints, stiffened boots, india-rubber bands, bandages, and other mechanical appliances.

**COCCYODYNIA.**—From Κόκκυξ, the cuckoo, because the coccyx is said to resemble the beak of this bird; and ὀδύνη, pain. Synon. *Coccyalgia*; *Coccygodynia*.—Pain or tenderness about coccyx. After a fall or blow, child-birth, violent horse exercise, &c., inflammation may be set up in fibrous tissues around, and muscular attachments to the coccyx.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain on sitting down or rising from chair, on walking, on defecation, &c. Can only sit on one hip in many cases. Any movement which stretches coccygeal ligaments, or brings sacro-coccygeal articulation into play, causes suffering: sometimes this is most severe. Often aggravated by sexual intercourse, by menstrual flow. Tenderness on pressure. Occasionally an accompaniment of uterine or ovarian disease, when it is sympathetic or neuralgic. Disease very chronic.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of any uterine or ovarian disease. Improvement of general health. Nervine tonics,—Quinine, iron, arsenic, zinc. Warm hip baths. Leeches. Friction with equal parts of belladonna and mercurial liniments. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Subcutaneous division of muscles and ligaments and fasciæ connected with coccyx, so as to set the bone at rest. Complete removal of coccyx, or a portion of it.

**COLIC.**—From Κῶλον, the large intestine.—Characterised by severe twisting or griping pain in belly, especially about umbilicus, occurring in paroxysms. Pain generally relieved by pressure: never aggravated by it. Often, vomiting. Generally, constipation. An absence of inflammation and fever. While attack continues, pulse is lowered; surface of body cold; countenance anxious.

Attacks of colic due to:—(1) Indigestion, accompanied with flatu-

lence. Relieved by vomiting or purging, or eructation, or expulsion of wind by anus.—See *Flatulence*. (2) The irritation of intestine by morbid secretions, accumulation of fæcal matter, &c. Cured by hot brandy and water with spice: castor oil. (3) Fright, cold, hysteria, gout: demanding antispasmodics like ether, chloroform, belladonna, opium; fomentations; perhaps colchicum and opium. (4) Mineral poisons, such as copper, lead, &c.—See *Copper Colic*; *Lead Colic*.

Colic not to be confounded with pain of gastrodynia or gastralgia, enteritis and cæcitis; peritonitis; perforation of bowel; strangulated hernia, or ileus; passage of hepatic, or of renal, calculi; spasm of bladder; uterine colic; or with pain produced by aneurismal or other tumours of abdomen, disease of spine, &c.

**COLLOID CANCER.**—From Κόλλα, glue. Synon. *Alveolar Cancer* (*Alveolus*, a little trench); *Cystic Cancer* (Κύστις, a bladder).—A variety of cancer, consisting of a clear viscid substance somewhat resembling soft gelatine or gum. Most frequent primary seats—the stomach, intestinal canal, omentum, breast, and peritoneum; secondarily, it affects lymphatic glands, lungs, &c. A section of a colloid cancer presents to naked eye a clear, soft, gelatinous mass intersected and surrounded by tough fibrous-looking tissue; the intersections, when numerous, forming small cysts or cavities filled with colloid matter. Such a cancer often attains considerable size.—See *Cancer*.

**COLOUR-BLINDNESS.**—Synon. *Achromotopsia*; *Acritochromacy*; *Chromato Pseudopsis*; *Daltonism*.—The inability to discriminate between certain colours is a defect which is quite compatible with perfect vision in other respects.

Colour-blindness may exist in three forms:—(1) Inability to discern any colour, properly so called, so that black and white—*i.e.*, light and shade, are the only variations of tint perceived. (2) Inability to discriminate between nicer shades of more composite colours, as browns, greys, and neutral tints. (3) Inability to distinguish between primary colours, red, blue, and yellow; or between these and secondary and tertiary colours, such as green, purple, orange, and brown (Dr. G. Wilson).

Defect upon which false perception of colours is due, consists probably of some peculiar organization of retina and that part of brain which is essential to vision. Unilateral colour-blindness is often found associated with hemi-anæsthesia, hysterical or due to some cerebral lesion. Generally congenital: cases known where it has been induced by disease or injury. Quite incurable. Care should be taken that railway servants are not afflicted with colour-blindness, since mistakes in nature of signals might lead to a serious accident.

**COMA.**—From Κῶμα, sound sleep.—A state of stupor with loss of consciousness, from which patient is roused with difficulty. In *carus* (from Κάρος, heavy sleep) or *intense coma*, there is not only loss of perception and volition, but usually stertorous breathing, flaccid limbs, and dilated pupils; patient cannot be roused.

Coma may be due to inflammation or other disease of brain, to *apoplexy*, to a recent *epileptic* attack, to *uræmia* (preceded or not by convulsions), to *opium*, to *alcohol*, to *injury*. Usually the diagnosis is made clear by the history, but when coma present, and no account of mode of access, or previous history, can be obtained, there may be a difficulty in attributing it to the correct cause.

*Epileptic* coma is temporary, and the insensibility is rarely absolute, except during *status epilepticus*. Patient can be roused. Respiration natural. Pulse frequent and full. Temperature normal.

In *uræmic* coma, patient can generally be roused, except near termination. Muscular twitchings. Urinous or ammoniacal odour of breath. Respiration not stertorous. Pulse different in different cases. Temperature often below normal.

In *apoplectic* coma, patient roused with difficulty, or not at all. Respiration stertorous (unless patient placed on his side). Sometimes irregular. Pulse full. Face flushed or pale. Temperature above normal. Hemiplegia can generally be made out. Pupils dilated, or unequal, or in lesions of pons contracted.

In *opium poisoning* patient can at first be roused. Breathing *slow* and stertorous. Pulse weak and soft. Pupils contracted to pin points. Countenance livid. Clammy seat. Temperature normal or lowered.

In *alcoholic* coma, insensibility often complete. No stertor. Pulse frequent. Pupils contracted, or more often dilated. Temperature 2 or 3 degrees below normal. Odour in breath.

Numerous cases of *apoplexy* occurring in the streets have been mistaken for examples of drunkenness. Practitioner cannot be too cautious in his diagnosis.—See *Apoplexy*; *Poisoning*; *Alcoholism*.

**COMPRESSION OF BRAIN.**—From *Comprimo*, to squeeze together.—May be produced by extravasation of blood or serum; fracture of skull, with depression of bone; bony excrescence; some foreign body,—a bullet, portion of spike, &c.; by abscess and tumour of brain. Symptoms are essentially those of *Coma*.

**CONCUSSION OF BRAIN.**—From *Concutio*, to shake.—Signalized by fainting, sickness, stupor, insensibility, and loss of all muscular power, succeeding immediately to some act of external violence. Patient may rally quickly, or not for many hours; or he may die suddenly, or at end of some days. After death, no lesion may be detected (?), or a laceration of some part of brain, or disseminated ecchymoses, or a general softening of cerebral substance.

**SYMPTOMS.** Vary according to degree of concussion. When shock has been slight, state of unconsciousness soon recovered from: complaint only made of confusion of ideas, faintness, sickness, chilliness, drowsiness, ringing noises in ears. In more severe forms, insensibility continues longer. Patient lies as if in deep sleep; pupils insensible to stimulus of light; surface pale and cold; muscles flaccid; pulse fluttering or feeble; sphincters relaxed; breathing often scarcely perceptible. When, after variable interval, partial recovery ensues, there is confusion of thought; inability to articulate distinctly; often,

severe vomiting; sometimes, paralysis of one or other extremity. In worst cases, individual is felled to ground by the shock, and dies on the spot.

Whole nervous system now and then receives a jar by railway accidents, without immediate symptoms being developed. In course of a few days there may be diminution of power of motion; one or more fits of epilepsy; squinting, or impairment of sight; deafness, or troublesome noises in ears; glycosuria. These symptoms, after a variable duration, may pass off; occasionally they are precursors of serious cerebral or spinal disease.

**TREATMENT.**—Patient to be watched carefully. Make sure that there is no fracture or dislocation. If, on recovery from shock, there be excessive reaction, cold to head; perhaps two or three drops of croton oil on tongue. Where no attempt to rally is made, a little wine or brandy and water. Warmth to surface of body and extremities: blankets, bottles of hot water, hot bricks, &c. In after-treatment, a mild unstimulating diet; absolute rest from all mental occupation; bodily repose and quiet; gentle bitter aperients.

**CONCUSSION OF SPINAL CORD.**—May arise from any shock—as fall, jump, severe blow, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** At first slight and obscure. Peculiar tingling (sense of pins and needles) in extremities. Increasing weakness. Difficulty in passing urine. Coldness and numbness of legs; gradually increasing difficulty in walking. Perhaps, irremediable paraplegia.

**TREATMENT.** Cases become serious from neglect. A cure usually to be effected by perfect rest in bed until all symptoms have passed off. Nourishing food. Attention to bowels and bladder.

**CONJUNCTIVITIS.**—From *Conjunctiva* (*Conjungo*, to join together), the membrane which lines the eyelids and covers anterior surface of eyeball; terminal-*itis*. Synon. *Ophthalmia*.—Inflammation of mucous membrane of eye, a common affection. Some authors divide the ophthalmiæ into several classes; for practical purposes it suffices to remember the varieties to be presently mentioned.

During violent fits of coughing, vomiting, &c., blood sometimes extravasated beneath conjunctiva, owing to rupture of a small vessel. Whether patch of *ecchymosis* be small, or so abundant as almost to conceal sclerotic, absorption soon takes place. If patient be anxious for some application, a piece of linen dipped in cold water containing a few drops of tincture of arnica, may be laid over eye.

Effusion of serum into areolar tissue between conjunctiva and sclerotic is called *chemosis*. When œdema is abundant, conjunctiva becomes quite elevated, so that cornea looks as if it were sunk in a deep depression. Swelling subsides as disease which causes pressure on conjunctival veins disappear.

1. **Catarrhal Ophthalmia.**—A mild form of inflammation of the conjunctiva and Meibomian follicles. Most common of all eye diseases: caused by exposure to cold and wet, sudden changes of temperature, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Slight pain, or sense of scalding. Stiffness and dryness; a feeling of pricking or roughness about the eye, as if sand or broken glass were under upper eyelid. This sensation caused by rubbing of sensitive eyelids over enlarged vessels of sclerotic conjunctiva. These vessels seen to be of a bright scarlet, and irregularly arranged; can be moved by finger; differing from appearance of vessels in scleritis, in which they are of a pink hue, immovable, disposed straight and regularly like radii in a circle. Natural secretion from conjunctiva and Meibomian follicles increased in quantity; often becomes puriform.

**TREATMENT.** Yields readily to simple treatment; often terminates favourably, without any remedies. At outset, if there be obstinate constipation, calomel and jalap, 140, 159; or a dose or two of some milder aperient, 141. If general health be bad, stimulants or tonics, with beer or wine, and meat. Where there is plethora, continue purgatives for two or three days, while diet is restricted. In troublesome cases, a blister behind ear. Arsenic, 52. Iodide of potassium, 31. Affected eye can be rested by wearing a shade; to be bathed several times in day with warm water. Astringent applications rarely needed: occasionally, a drop or two of *vinum opii*, or of solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 2 to fl. oz. j), may cut short an attack. When discharge is abundant, edges of eyelids should be smeared with some simple ointment at night, to prevent their adhering in the morning.

**2. Purulent Ophthalmia.**—Three kinds:—Purulent ophthalmia of adults, or contagious ophthalmia, or Egyptian ophthalmia; gonorrhœal ophthalmia; and purulent ophthalmia of infants.

**SYMPTOMS.** In *purulent ophthalmia of adults*, inflammation very intense, runs a rapid course, attended with violent pain, and leads to formation of large quantities of thick and yellow purulent matter. Eyelids swell so that they cannot be separated sufficiently to expose cornea; chemosis; discharge adheres to eyelashes in thick drops. Severe pain in eye and forehead. Generally much constitutional disturbance, fever, prostration. Where disease does not yield, inflammation increases, attacks cornea, and occasionally internal textures of eye; extensive sloughing takes place; and when sufferings terminate it is found that sight is completely lost.—It is contagious, frequently epidemic and common in hot climates. Military life appears to predispose to it. Both eyes often affected; sometimes simultaneously.

*Gonorrhœal ophthalmia* differs from the preceding in a few points only. Thus it is the most severe; rarely limited to one eye, but one organ usually attacked two or three days before the other; caused by contact of gonorrhœal—or even leucorrhœal—discharge with conjunctiva. Frequently ends in sloughing of cornea.

*Purulent ophthalmia of infants*, or *ophthalmia neonatorum*, generally commences about third day after birth, with inflammation of that part of conjunctiva lining palpebræ. Edges of eyelids adhere; on separating them a drop of thick white fluid escapes. As inflammation extends to conjunctiva covering eyeball, eyelids swell; puru-

lent discharge increases; child becomes very feeble and restless and fretful. Disease may remain in this state for eight or nine days; if not then relieved, ulceration of cornea occurs, and very destructive consequences ensue. Both eyes commonly suffer; either at same time, or within an interval of a few days. Discharge contagious.

**TREATMENT.** In purulent ophthalmia of adults, and gonorrhœal ophthalmia, no need for violent measures. Result to be dreaded is ulceration and sloughing; morbid processes which are more likely to be encouraged by bleeding and antimony and mercury and starvation, than by any other agents. At commencement, when tongue is thickly coated, an active purgative, 140, 151. If there be debility,—Ammonia and bark, 371; quinine, 379; cod liver oil. Animal food. Beer or wine. To combat restlessness at night,—Henbane; camphorated tincture of opium; ether; morphia and Indian hemp, 317. *Locally*: Injections of solutions of alum (gr. 8 or 10 to water fl. oz. j), under eyelids, every hour; or solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 2 to fl. oz. j) may be employed, in same way, about every eight hours. If there be ulceration of cornea, it may sometimes be checked by early application of solid nitrate of silver. Pain arising from application must be relieved by warm narcotic fomentations, and opium. To prevent lids from adhering, smear their edges at night with diluted citrine ointment, 305.

To cure purulent ophthalmia of infants,—Magnesia; castor oil; mercury and chalk, 35. Small doses of ipecacuan and opium powder. Iodide of potassium. Examination of mother's milk: if it be poor or deficient in quantity, a healthy wet-nurse. Goat's or cow's milk. Liebig's food, 4. *Locally*:—Bathing of eye with tepid water: injections of a solution of alum (gr. 5 to water fl. oz. j) beneath lids, every six or eight hours. Injections of sulphate of zinc (gr. 2 to fl. oz. j) in severe cases.

To prevent the disease—Vaginal disinfectant injections before labour when discharge present, carbolized or per manganate solutions; careful bathing of eyes of infant.

**3. Strumous Ophthalmia.**—A disease of scrofulous and other children, occurring generally between time of weaning and ninth or tenth year.

**SYMPTOMS.** Slight conjunctival and sclerotic redness; with formation of little phlyctenulæ or pustules, sometimes of ulcers, on cornea. Copious lachrymal secretion; irritability of nasal and buccal mucous membranes. Great intolerance of light (*photophobia*), with spasmodic contraction of eyelids. Swelling of lips, eruptions behind ears, disordered intestinal secretions. Both eyes usually affected. Hot tears flowing over cheek often produce an eruption resembling crusta lactea.

**TREATMENT.** Good nourishing food. Milk. Beer. Warm clothing. Pure air. Occasional doses of mild laxatives. Tonics,—Quinine, arsenic, steel, &c. Cod liver oil. *Locally*:—Warm fomentations. Use of a green shade: a green or blue veil. Drops of wine of opium. *Sulphate of zinc* or alum (gr. 2 to fl. oz. j). *Spermaceti* ointment to



edges of lids. Small seton in temples. Blisters behind ears, or to nape of neck. Flying blisters to temples.

**4. Granular Conjunctiva.**—Sometimes epidemic in workhouse, schools; contagious. The conjunctiva, particularly palpebral portion; is found red and uneven and granular. So-called "granulations" or "sago-grains" consist of inflamed mucous follicles and papillæ: when they cause much irritation, opacity of cornea may result.

**TREATMENT.** Quinine. Arsenic and steel, 399. Good diet. Removal of granulations. Dabbing granulations gently with undiluted liquor potassæ, previously everting lids. Sulphate of copper. Nitrate of silver. Ointment of nitrate of mercury. Sulphur ointment. Hygienic measures. Prevent contagion by separating sufferers and forbidding use of towel in common.

**CONSTIPATION.**—From *Constipo*, to crowd thickly together. Synon. *Obstipatio*; *Alvus Adstricta*; *Torpor Intestinorum*.—May be an idiopathic affection, or may arise during progress of any acute or chronic disease. By *habitual* costiveness is meant a prolonged departure from the standard natural to the individual. As a rule, most people have a daily evacuation; but some only go to stool every second or third day.

**SYMPTOMS.** Functions of stomach, liver, and pancreas imperfectly performed. A sense of mental and bodily oppression. Sallow and pasty complexion. Foul breath. Dry skin. Scanty urine. No stools: or only scanty motions, pale, clay-like, and very offensive.—In obstinate cases:—A loss of all power for exertion. Headache. Palpitation. Neuralgia. Hypochondriasis.

**TREATMENT.** *Temporary constipation*:—Sulphate of magnesia manna, and senna, 139. Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Aloes, senna, and jalap, 145. Resin of podophyllum, 160. Castor oil, 164. Calomel and jalap, 159. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Croton oil, 168. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Gamboge, aloes and blue pill, 174. Simple enemata, 188. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. Croton oil enema, 191. Purgative electuaries, 194. *Officinal purgatives*:—Confection of pepper; confection of scammony; confection of senna; confection of sulphur; compound decoction of aloes. Decoction of taraxacum. Elaterium. Enema of aloes. Enema of sulphate of magnesia. Extract of Barbadoes aloes. Extract of Socotrine aloes. Compound extract of colocynth. Extract of jalap. Purified ox bile. Calomel. Mercury and chalk. Blue pill. Infusion of rhubarb. Infusion of senna. Resin of jalap. Carbonate of magnesia. Sulphate of magnesia. Scammony mixture. Croton oil. Castor oil. Pill of Barbadoes aloes. Pill of aloes and assafœtida. Pill of aloes and myrrh. Pill of Socotrine aloes. Compound pill of gamboge. Compound pill of colocynth. Pill of colocynth and hyoscyamus. Compound rhubarb pill. Tartrate of potash. Acid tartrate of potash. Compound powders of jalap; of rhubarb; of scammony; of liquorice. Tartrate of soda and potash. Phosphate of soda. Precipitated sulphur. Syrup of

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sonna. Tincture of aloes. Tincture of jalap. Tincture of rhubarb. Tincture of senna. Compound tincture of benzoin. Wine of aloes.

*Habitual constipation*.—Olive oil. Almond oil. Castor oil, 164. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Syrup of senna. Sulphate of soda, 143, 144, 148. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Steel and aloes, 154, 404. Nitric acid, senna, and taraxacum, 147. Sulphate of magnesia and iron, 166. Seidlitz powders, 169. Purified ox bile, 170. Glycerine. Factitious Cheltenham waters, 180. Factitious Carlsbad waters, 182. Simple enemata, 188. Suppositories of soap, or cocoa butter. Quinine, 379. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Zinc and nux vomica, 409. Strychnia and steel, 408. Sulphate of zinc, 177. Compound tincture of benzoin. Nux vomica, and aloes or rhubarb, 175. Belladonna. Belladonna and rhubarb pill. Valerianate of zinc and belladonna, 410. Tar capsules or pills, 36. Cod liver oil. Pepsine, 420. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378.—*Diet*.—Wholesome and digestible food. Ripe fruits in morning. Figs or prunes soaked in olive oil. Oatmeal porridge. Brown bread. Aerated bread. Tobacco. Tum-  
 blerful of spring water at bed-time. *General Remedies*.—Daily exercise. Avoidance of too much sleep. Sponge or shower baths. Wet compress over abdomen. Friction of abdominal walls. Galvanism. Gentle kneading of abdominal walls. Bowels to be solicited to act at a regular hour daily.—See *Intestinal Obstruction*.

**CONTUSIONS OF ABDOMEN.**—From *Contundo*, to bruise, to crush to pieces.—May be produced by kicks, blows, a fall upon some prominent object, or a squeeze between buffers of two railway carriages, &c. Consequence often very serious. A blow sometimes causes death immediately, owing to syncope from shock to solar plexus of sympathetic. In other instances there may be laceration of some internal structure, with hæmorrhage: when injured individual often dies at end of a few hours, from combined effects of shock and loss of blood.—Occasionally, contusion causes rupture of an internal organ, with extravasation of contents. There may be no external symptom of injury; and yet gall-bladder, liver, spleen, stomach, intestinal canal, bladder, or pregnant uterus be torn through. Patient either dies shortly from collapse, or hæmorrhage, surviving these dangers, from peritonitis after a longer interval. Instances have occurred of laceration of liver or kidney, where sufferers having got over first effects of succeeding inflammation, have subsequently fallen victims to blood-poisoning from absorption of extravasated fluids. Lastly, a contusion may only set up inflammatory action in a limited portion of the abdominal wall, this action going on to suppuration.—See *Abscess of Abdominal Walls*.

**CONVULSIONS.**—From *Convello*, to overthrow, to annihilate, &c. Synon. *Eclampsia*; *Hyperspasmia*; *Spasmus*.—Convulsions consist of violent and involuntary contractions of muscles of whole body; occurring in paroxysms, and usually attended with unconsciousness. Sometimes, contractions partial, of considerable duration, and attended with hardness of affected muscles (*tonic spasms* or *spastic*

*contractions*), e.g., common cramp and tetanus. Sometimes, quickly alternating contractions and relaxations (*clonic spasm*).

Convulsions may be due to organic disease of nervous system, especially tumour of brain; to meningitis; to an insufficient supply of healthy blood to nervous centres: to reflex irritation about gums or alimentary canal (as in teething, indigestion, intestinal worms, &c.); to renal disease and albuminuria (as in uræmia and pregnancy): to a morbid state of the blood (as in hydrophobia, eruptive fevers, whooping cough, &c.); to certain poisons; as well as to strong and sudden mental emotion.

**SYMPTOMS.** There are premonitory symptoms, or an absence of any warning. All the voluntary muscles attacked; or there may be only spasms of features, one half of body, or a single limb. Consciousness generally lost but not always. During a general paroxysm there is distortion of features, pallor or lividity of face, staring eyeballs, insensibility of pupils to light, grinding and gnashing of teeth, protrusion of tongue, &c. Involuntary evacuations. Laborious respiration. There may be only one attack, or several. Followed by a tendency to sleep. Seldom a fatal result unless connected with severe disease. Convulsion of one limb, or one half of face, or of one half of body, not attended with loss of consciousness, is usually indicative of organic disease of opposite cerebral hemisphere.

**TREATMENT.** *General remedies* :—Patient's dress to be loosened, especially clothing about neck. To be placed so that he might breathe pure and cold air. Cold to head if there be much heat and flushing. Cold affusion to head, while body is in a warm bath. Sinapisms, or hot bottles to extremities. Mustard footbaths. Purgative and antispasmodic enemata, 190, 191. Croton oil, one or two drops on tongue. Emetics of ipecacuanha, if patient can swallow and there be evidence of gastric irritation, 231, 233. Blisters, dry cupping, to nape of neck. When from uræmia, venesection. Leeches? Bromide of potassium. Opium, where there is no cerebral disease. Hypodermic injection of morphia, 314. Belladonna and camphor, 326. Ether. Chloroform in draughts, and by inhalation, 313. Sulphate of aniline (gr. 1 twice or thrice daily). Benzoic acid, 49. Lemon juice. Vinegar.

*Puerperal convulsions* :—Purgative and antispasmodic enemata. Inhalation of chloroform or ether. Induction of labour when patient is undelivered; convulsions often cease as soon as liquor amnii is evacuated. When convulsions occur during parturition, expedite delivery by forceps or turning, patient being previously placed under influence of some anæsthetic. Venesection? In convulsions after delivery, hypodermic injection of morphia; inhalation of chloroform, or ether.

*Infantile convulsions* :—Attention to diet. Cold to head, while body is in a warm bath. One or two grains of calomel placed on tongue. Ipecacuanha emetics, if stomach be loaded. Lancing gums, where they are in fault. Magnesia or soda in dill water, if there be acidity of secretions. Calomel and scammony, oil of turpentine, liquid extract of fern root, santalin, decoction of pomegranate root,

if there be intestinal worms.—See *Chorea*; *Epilepsy*; *Hysteria*, *Tetanus*, *Uræmia*, &c.

**COPPER COLIC.**—Paroxysmal twisting or griping pains in the belly, due to chronic poisoning by copper. Affects copper-plate printers.

**SYMPTOMS.** Attacks of abdominal pain, coming on suddenly; aggravated by pressure. Nausea and vomiting. Constipation may be absent. Peculiar sallow hue of complexion: countenance anxious: eyes sunken and lips livid. A purple line around gums.

**TREATMENT.** Sulphate of magnesia and sulphuric acid, 142. Sulphate of soda and sulphuric acid, 143. Castor oil, 164. Enemata of warm water. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Ether and opium, 85. Iodide of potassium, 31. Hot baths. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes. Linseed poultices.—See *Colic*.

**CORNEITIS.**—From *Cornea* (*Cornu*, a horn), the transparent and nearly circular external tunic of the eyeball, forming the anterior sixth of the globe; terminal *-itis*.

1. **Acute Inflammation.**—Corneitis or preferably Keratitis (*Képas*, a horn) renders the polished and transparent cornea hazy, dim, and rough. May cause it to look like ground glass.

**SYMPTOMS.** A crescentic plexus of minute vessels can be seen passing from edge of cornea. A zone of pink vessels in adjacent sclerotic. Haziness of cornea with opacity. Abundant secretion of tears. Intolerance of light. Strumous children and subjects under twenty years of age most liable to it. One or both eyes may be affected: sometimes one eye attacked, just as the other is getting well. Morbid action may last for months and leave cornea permanently cloudy. Occasionally ends in suppuration, and pus gets infiltrated between fibres of the membrane. Softening generally takes place posteriorly; pus makes its way into anterior chamber, to bottom of which it sinks; where it assumes a crescentic form—*hypopyon*. When an opening occurs anteriorly, a perforating ulcer of cornea is produced through which iris protrudes—*staphyloma iridis*.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to biliary and intestinal secretions. Rhu-barb and magnesia, mercury and chalk, calomel, or castor oil. Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Iodide of iron, 32. Cod liver oil. Chemical food, 405. Quinine. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Nourishing diet, with milk. Small blisters to temples, or behind ears. Seton in temples. Warm fomentations; steaming the eyes. Tincture of iodine to skin of lids. Avoidance of irritating collyria.

2. **Syphilitic Keratitis.**—Sometimes spoken of as “chronic interstitial keratitis.” The result of inherited constitutional syphilis. Affects children and young persons, especially females. Is very chronic.

**SYMPTOMS.**—A diffused haziness beginning at centre of one cornea. Tissue gets to resemble ground glass. No tendency to ulceration. After a few weeks both corneæ become affected. Subjects of this disease have a coarse and flabby skin, and often pits on face and forehead, cicatrices of old fissures at angles of mouth, sunken bridge

to nose and notching of permanent upper central incisor teeth (Hutchinson).

**TREATMENT.** Cautious use of mercury, avoiding salivation. Corrosive sublimate and compound infusion of gentian. Mercurial inunction behind ears. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of iron. Ferruginous tonics. Liberal diet. Cod liver oil.

**3. Opacity of Cornea.**—May result from inflammation, giving rise to effusion of fibrin into substance of cornea, or between it and conjunctiva; or it may be the consequence of a cicatrix following an ulcer.

When opacity is cloudy and diffused, as from keratitis, appearance called a *nebula*: a limited white patch, such as results from a cicatrix, is known as *albugo* and *leucoma*. Employment of acetate of lead collyria, when there has been an abrasion of cornea or conjunctiva, has led to formation of a permanent white deposit. This may sometimes be gently scraped away.

**4. Ulcers of Cornea.**—Occur in individuals of all ages where powers of life have been lowered by illness, insufficient food, strumous disease, &c. May lead to perforation of cornea with escape of aqueous humour, obliteration of anterior chamber, and prolapsus iridis. To be cured by attention to general health. When the ulcer is very indolent, local use of nitrate of silver. Avoidance of irritating collyria.

**5. Conical Cornea.**—Synon. *Keratoconus*; *Staphyloma Corneæ Pellucidum*.—A rare malformation. Cornea found exceedingly convex, giving a peculiar sparkling or brilliant appearance to eye. Both eyes usually affected, though often unequally. In consequence, vision very indistinct. Causes of this deformity not known. In the few cases which have been examined after death, apex of cornea has been found thinner than natural.—All kinds of treatment fruitless. Various operations tried with only partial success. But patient's vision may sometimes be partly assisted by a deeply concave glass; or by use of a black plate with a transverse slit along its middle, fixed in spectacle-frame with or without glass.

**6. Arcus Senilis.**—Synon. *Leucoma Gerontotoxon*; *Macula Corneæ Arcuata*: *Fatty Degeneration of Peripheral Portion of Cornea*.—A gradually increasing opacity of circumference of cornea, owing to fatty degeneration. Generally occurs in the aged. Has been said to be indicative of fatty degeneration of heart?

**CORYZA.**—From *Kόρυς*, the head; *ζέω*, to boil. Synon. *Rhinitis*; *Gravedo*; *Stillicidium Narium*; *Cold in the Head*.—Catarrhal inflammation of Schneiderian membrane of nose. Often—quickly relieved by full dose of opium. Iodine vapour, 259.—See *Catarrh*.

**COUGH.**—Synon. *Tussis*.—A symptom of numerous and varied

diseases of the respiratory organs and tract. For the most part is an effort to expel irritating matters from bronchi and air cells. See *Asthma*; *Bronchitis*; *Croup*; *Hooping Cough*; *Laryngismus Stridulus*; *Laryngitis*; *Phthisis*; *Pleurisy*; *Pneumonia*; &c. May also be due to gastric derangement, to elongation of the uvula, to pharyngeal catarrh, and in some remarkable cases to irritation in the external auditory meatus.

**TREATMENT.** *General Remedies:* Mucilage of gum Arabic. Mucilage of tragacanth. Decoction of Iceland moss (*Cetraria*). Decoction of barley. Infusion of dulcamara. Infusion of linseed. Infusion of marsh mallow. Liquorice jujubes (consisting of gum and sugar and gelatine). Ammoniac mixture, 237. Balsam of Peru with mucilage. Syrup or tincture of tolu. Ammonia and senega, 235. Antimonial wine, 240. Ipecacuan wine, 241. Powder of ipecacuan and opium. Tincture or syrup of squills, 236, 247. Compound squill pills. Spirit of nitrous ether. Spirit of ether. Spirit of chloroform. Rectified pyroxylic spirit. Dilute hydrocyanic acid. Laurel water (*Aqua laurocerasi*, min. v. to xxx). Morphia, 315, 317, 346, 347. Opium, 213, 316, 324, 338, 345. Camphorated tincture of opium, 235, 319. Syrup of poppies. Codeia. Conium, 335. Henbane. Stramonium, 323. Aconite, 330, 332. Belladonna, 326, 344. Indian tobacco, 88, 242. Almond oil. Cod liver oil, 389. Inhalation of steam, tar vapour, medicated vapours. Spray, or atomised fluids, of weak solutions of tannic acid, perchloride of iron, sulphate of zinc, alum, opium, conium, &c., 262. *Locally to chest walls:* Mustard poultice. Turpentine stupes. Blisters. Opium, belladonna, ammoniac and mercury, chalybeate, galbanum, pitch, or warm plasters. Liniment of chloroform, or opium, or belladonna, or iodine, properly diluted. Compound liniment of camphor. Liniment of croton oil, 207. Ointment of tartarated antimony. Tartar emetic embrocation, 206.

*Cough from Intestinal Irritation, &c.*—Lancing gums. Remedies against intestinal worms. Remedies against dyspepsia, gastric catarrh, constipation, &c.

*Cough from Relaxed Uvula, Enlarged Tonsils, &c.*—Astringent gargles, 248, 249, 252, 257. Quinine, 379, 386. Steel, 380, 392, 395, 403. Phosphate of iron, 405. Iodide of iron, 382, 390. Iodide of ammonium. Phosphate of zinc, 414. Cod liver oil, 389. Application of nitrate of silver. Excision of tonsils. Amputation of elongated uvula. Potassa fusa has been applied to enlarged tonsils, but its use requires great caution.

*Ear-cough:*—Remove irritation in the meatus auditorius.

*Nervous and Hysterical Cough:*—Valerian, 87. Valerianate of quinine or zinc, 93, 410, 411. Assafoetida, 89. Phosphate of zinc. Nux vomica. Compound mixture of iron. Citrate of iron and quinia. Galbanum: compound pill of assafoetida. Nitrate of silver to glottis. Attention to uterine functions. Horse exercise. Sea bathing. Shower baths. Nourishing food.

**COUP DE SOLEIL.**—Synon. *Sun-stroke*; *Insolatio*; *Heat Apo-*

*plexy; Erythismus Tropicus.*—A disease allied to simple apoplexy. Due apparently in some cases to the direct action of the sun's rays, but mostly the result of the high temperature to which the blood has been raised. In perfect form, only met with in the tropics. Often fatal to European soldier, at seasons when heat is very oppressive.

**SYMPTOMS.**—The attack may be sudden during exposure to the sun, or may come on during the night. Generally, faintness; thirst; considerable heat and dryness of skin; high temperature; great failure of nervous energy. Often vertigo and a sense of tightness across chest. Pulse sometimes quick and full, sometimes so thin and feeble it can hardly be felt. As case progresses, heart's action becomes violent; patient can scarcely be roused; face gets pallid; perhaps an attack of vomiting ushers in deep coma. While comatose, there is heat of skin; dyspnoea; contracted pupils, with congested conjunctivæ; action of heart intermittent. Just prior to death, dilatation of pupils; gasping respiration; perhaps vomiting.

In some instances, symptoms very insidious. Mere listlessness and stupidity; head is said to be a little queer. Yet in twelve hours, death.—Often, after exposure to sun, the individual has suddenly fallen down insensible; made one or two gasps; and died in state of syncope.

If recovery take place, convalescence apt to be retarded by deranged secretions, continued fever, some pulmonary complication, partial paralysis, or great prostration.—Patient not free from immediate danger until skin gets cool and moist. Many months after apparent cure, symptoms of paralysis or of insanity may be developed: in any case, the individual is seldom the man he was prior to attack.

**TREATMENT.** *Curative.*—Mortality very large where bloodletting has been resorted to. Most reliable remedies, such as bring down the temperature.—Cold bathing. Cold to head, and stimulants. A continuous stream of cold water to be poured over head and neck and spine and chest, provided pulse be not very weak and skin cold. Evaporating lotions to scalp. Blisters, or liniment of cantharides, to nucha. Ammonia. Ether. Brandy. Tea, well-sweetened. Ipecacuanha emetics, if stomach be loaded. Sinapisms or turpentine stupes to extremities. Stimulant enemata. Ice to spine. Frictions of surface.

*Prophylactic.*—When a march is undertaken in India during hot season, weak and sickly to be left behind. Costume to be suitable to early morning hours before sunrise, as well as for scorching heat which follows. Flannel shirts, as safeguards against sudden chills: flannel belts advantageous, save in hottest weather. Shirt collars to be open. Light knapsacks, without cross-belts over chest. Troops to march easy: halts when men are exhausted, with longer halt half-way, so that each man may have coffee and biscuit. To arrive on *new* ground about an hour after sunrise. Camp to be formed on as high and open ground as possible. Men to have an ample supply of water. Rations of spirits to be discontinued (Aitken).

**COW-POX.**—Synon. *Vaccinia*.—The comparative immunity against small-pox, conferred by vaccination, was discovered by Jenner towards close of eighteenth century.

When vaccination has been successfully performed on a healthy child, an elevation may be felt over puncture on second day, accompanied by slight redness; on fifth, a distinct vesicle is formed, having an elevated edge and depressed centre; on eighth, it is of a pearl colour, and is distended with a clear lymph. An inflamed areola now forms round base of little tumour, and increases during two succeeding days; about eleventh day it fades; and the vesicle, which has then burst and acquired a brown colour, gradually dries up, until by end of second week it has become converted into a hard and round scab. This falls off about twenty-first day; leaving a circular, depressed, striated cicatrix, which is permanent. In after-life first vaccination affords protection for ten years, perhaps for longer: a safe proceeding to revaccinate after this lapse of time.

Four or five separate, good-sized vesicles should be produced.—When variola occurs after vaccination, it is known as *varioid*, or *modified small-pox*.

**CRAMP.**—Synon. *Myospasmus*; *Spasmus Muscularis*; *Tetanus Dolorificus*.—A spasmodic and involuntary contraction of one or more muscles, of short duration, attended with rigidity and great pain: most common in muscles of lower extremities, especially the gastrocnemius, or one of the plantar muscles; but muscular fibres of internal organs—as of stomach, intestines, bladder, uterus, pharynx, &c.—not infrequently affected.

May arise from disease in nervous centres: feeble circulation: morbid state of blood,—gout, rheumatism, anæmia, &c.; dyspepsia, colic, cholera, pregnancy, tetanus, &c.; sometimes cannot be traced to derangement of any organ. Said to be a frequent cause of drowning, even where the bather is an accomplished swimmer, but probably the cause of death in these cases is failure of heart.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fibres of affected muscle are gathered into a hard knob; appreciable to touch, and often to vision. Pain most severe. Spasm may cease in a few seconds, or not for hours: it commonly leaves more or less tenderness, which remains for some hours. The same muscle may be affected over and over again: or the contractions may shift from one part to another. Cramp from dyspepsia often occurs at night; rousing the victim suddenly from sleep.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic*.—Removal of all sources of indigestion. Correction of debility, anæmia, constipation, gouty or rheumatic state of system. Attention to condition of nerve centres. Bitter tonics. Chalybeates. Antispasmodics. Pepsine. Quinine, especially if attacks intermit. Sulphur. Tar water. Tepid sponge baths. Warmth to the feet at night: legs supported on soft cushion or pillow. Sleeping on a mattress, so inclined that the foot of the bed is twelve inches lower than the head.

*Curative*.—Friction with naked hand, flesh-brush, or flannel. *Anodyne liniments*,—especially such as contain aconite, belladonna,



chloroform, camphor. Forcible extension of limb. Hot bath. Inhalation of ether or chloroform. Full doses of carbonate of magnesia or soda, with ether and tincture of cardamoms.

**CRETINISM.**—Perhaps, according to Dr. Mayne, from *Cretira* old Italian for a poor creature. Synon. *Idiotismus Endemicus*; *Fatuitas Alpicolarum*; *Micrencephalon*.—A form of idiocy, accompanied by deformity of the bodily organs. Has a close but ill-understood connection with goitre. In English Cretins thyroid has been absent, and glandular masses seen on each side of neck. (*Myzadema*).

**SYMPTOMS.** Diminutive stature. Large head, flattened at top, and spread out laterally. Countenance vacant and void of intelligence. Mouth gaping and slaving. Tongue protruding. Goitre. Disgusting habits. Perhaps squinting, deaf-mutism, blindness.

**TREATMENT.** Pure mountain air. Plenty of exercise. Simple nourishing food, with milk. Cod liver oil. Carbonate of iron. Phosphate of lime. Chemical food. Valerianate of zinc. Moral control. Judicious mental training.

**CROUP.**—Synon. *Tracheitis*; *Cynanche Trachealis*; *Angina Trachealis*.—An inflammatory disease of mucous lining of trachea, or often of glottis and larynx and trachea. Fever and inflammation accompanied by exudation of false membranes on affected surfaces. A question much debated is whether membranous croup is not always diphtheritic. There is no doubt an acute catarrhal inflammation as well as inflammation attended with formation of membranes, and the two are not easily distinguishable one from the other.—Most common during second and third years of childhood. Often complicated with bronchitis or pneumonia. May end fatally from exhaustion, suffocation, convulsions, or thrombosis. Mortality very large.

**SYMPTOMS.** In early stage those of catarrh. Slight fever; cough; hoarseness; drowsiness; suffusion of eyes, and running at nose. In course of eighteen hours, wheezing respiration; fits of hoarse coughing; occasional spasms of laryngeal muscles. Then, characteristic symptoms: alteration in cough, which is attended with a peculiar ringing sound, rendering it "brassy." Inspirations prolonged: accompanied with crowing or piping noise. Redness and swelling of tonsils and uvula, less marked than in tonsillitis. Increased fever. Breathing becomes more hurried and impeded. Cough frequent. Depression with weakness and irregularity of pulse. Thirst. Irritability and restlessness. Features expressive of alarm and distress: patient grasps at his neck, or thrusts his fingers into mouth, as if to remove cause of suffering. Nocturnal exacerbations: remissions towards morning.—As disease subsides, cough loses peculiar twang, becomes moist: crowing inspirations lessen, or cease.—When tending to death, drowsiness gets extreme, though sleep is uneasy: child starts and wakes in terror. Breathing becomes gasping and interrupted: suffocation seems imminent. Countenance livid. Skin cold; covered with clammy sweat. Perhaps death directly after an

inspiration: asphyxia, coma, convulsions, or fatal dyspnoea from thrombosis.

**TREATMENT.** Under use of bleeding, tartarated antimony, and mercury, half the cases attacked die. For this cause alone, a different plan ought to be tried. Blisters most injurious.

Confinement to bed. Flannel clothing. Temperature of room 70° F.; air to be moistened with steam. Continuous fomentations to throat; sponges dipped in water as hot as can be borne. Emetic of ipecacuan, 231. Calomel as a purgative, or castor oil, if there be constipation. Lessen excessive heat of skin by warm bath, 137. If skin be dry, wrap patient in a blanket wrung out of warm water, and cover all with two or three dry blankets, 136. Painting of throat with belladonna,—diluted extract, liniment, or tincture—if distress arise chiefly from spasmodic contractions of laryngeal muscles. Iodide of potassium with assafetida and senega, 31. Ammonia and senega, 235. Quinine. Inhalation of spray of hot water or saline solutions, or hot saccharated solution of lime, 262. Inhalation of oxygen gas. Beef tea. Lime water and milk. Cream. Wine, or brandy.—Tracheotomy, if predominant symptoms are those of asphyxia: inhalation of chloroform, so that operation may be performed deliberately and cautiously. After operation, trust to warm moist air, nourishment, and stimulants: abandon medicines.

*Remedies often recommended:*—Leeches. Bleeding. Purging. Blisters. Tartarated antimony. Calomel. Mercurial inunction. Digitalis. Hydrocyanic acid. Squilla. Veratrum viride. Sanguinaria Canadensis. Quinine. Sulphate of copper. Sulphurated potash. Nitrate of silver, locally. Glycerine, locally. Tincture of iodine, painted over outside of neck.

**CYANOSIS.**—From *Kúavos*, blue; *ρόςος*, disease. Synon. *Hæmatocyanosis*; *Morbus Cæruleus*; *Blue Disease*.—A condition characterised by a blue or purplish discoloration of skin; arising generally in connection with some deficiency in construction of the heart.

*Chief malformations:*—Permanence of foramen ovale, allowing a passage of blood between the auricles. Abnormal apertures in some part of septum of auricles or ventricles. Origin of aorta and pulmonary artery from a single ventricle. Transposition of origins of large vessels from heart; aorta arising from right, and pulmonary artery from left, ventricle. An extreme contraction of pulmonary artery. Continued patescence of ductus arteriosus, permitting a mixture of blood of aorta and pulmonary artery.

**SYMPTOMS.** Discoloration of skin. Coldness of body; temperature of mouth sometimes reduced to 77° F. Palpitation. Fits of dyspnoea. Syncope on excitement. Tips of fingers and toes become bulbous; nails incurvated. Generative organs often imperfectly developed. Congestion of internal organs, and dropsical effusions.—Infants affected generally die very early: occasionally, life prolonged to *adult age*. Males more prone to cyanosis than females. Under *exceptional circumstances* it may not come on until somewhat late in life.

**TREATMENT.** Must be simply palliative. Nourishing food. Occasionally, mild tonics. Warm clothing. Avoidance of fatigue, or mental excitement. Residence in pure mild air.

**CYNANCHE LARYNGEA.**—From *Kύων*, a dog; *ἄγχω*, to strangle.—because dogs were supposed to be especially liable to sore throat, *Ἀδρυγέ*, the windpipe. Synon. *Angina Laryngea*; *Inflammation of the Larynx*.—See *Laryngitis*.

**CYNANCHE PAROTIDEA.**—From *πᾶρα*, near; *ὄς*, the ear. Synon. *Parotitis Contagiosa*; *Angina Externa*; *Mumps*; *Branks*; *Inflammation of the Parotid Gland*.—See *Parotitis*.

**CYNANCHE TONSILLARIS.**—From *Tonsilla*, the tonsil. Synon. *Amygdalitis*; *Angina Tonsillaris*; *Inflammatory Sore Throat*; *Quinsy*.—See *Tonsillitis*.

**CYNANCHE TRACHEALIS.**—From *Kύων*, a dog; *ἄγχω*, to strangle. Synon. *Suffocatio Stridula*; *Angina Membranacea*; *Laryngo-tracheitis*; *Inflammation of the Trachea*.—See *Croup*.

**DEAFNESS.**—Synon. *Cophosis*; *Surditas*; *Hardness of Hearing*.—May be the result of rheumatism, gout, hereditary syphilis, disease of the membrana tympani, disease of the ossicula auditus, obstruction of the Eustachian tube, or some diminution of nervous force. See also *Otorrhœa*; *Otitis*; *Eustachian Tube*.

**1. Rheumatism of Ear.**—Most frequently occurs after subsidence of rheumatic inflammation of joints.

**SYMPTOMS.** Tenderness of scalp, temple, mastoid process, jaw, and teeth on affected side. Distressing tinnitus. Nightly exacerbations, with acid perspirations. An acute attack may prove most destructive by producing periosteal inflammation and caries. Sometimes obstinate otorrhœa results; may lead to exfoliation of a portion of bone.

**TREATMENT.** Alkaline salts. Iodide of potassium. Opium. Hot bathing. Fomentations. When great tenderness exists over mastoid process, much relief may be given by an incision over this part down to the bone, so as to free tense inflamed periosteum.

**2. Gout of Ear.**—A common cause of deafness. Usually chronic and not marked by severe symptoms, but ossicula gradually lose their mobility. Ear seldom attacked until small joints have been frequently invaded. Deafness generally, preceded by severe headaches.

**SYMPTOMS.** Acute gout affecting *external* ear often sets in soon after midnight. Tearing or twisting pain; burning heat; beating noises or singing in ear swelling with redness.—Minute articulations of bones in the *middle* ear may suffer. Pain very acute. Sometimes loss of consciousness, delirium, or convulsions. Concretions and deposits of urate of soda found after death (Harvey)

**TREATMENT.** Same as for gout in other parts of body. Purgings

with neutral salts. Alkalies. Colchicum. Fomentations. When apparently due to metastasis, mustard pediluvia, or other local stimulants, to recall disease to less important joints.

**3. Syphilitic Deafness.**—Usually met with in congenital syphilis associating with Keratitis, notched teeth, &c. Comes on gradually in early life, and may become extreme. It is generally irremediable. Slight deafness may be among the early secondary symptoms of the acquired disease.

**4. Nervous Deafness.**—More or less deafness owing to some lesion of nervous system; whether the mischief have its seat in nervous tissue expanded in labyrinth, at origin or in course of seventh pair, or in brain itself. Singing noises and deafness sometimes due to decayed teeth. In some cases no relief can be given; as in senile deafness, arising from insensibility of nervous tissue due to old age. Ear-trumpets, or other apparatus useful.

**DEATH CAUSES.**—Life can only be maintained by the circulation of arterial blood. If no blood circulates through arteries of nerve centres or only venous blood, the result is death. Death by cessation of circulation of blood may be of two kinds. (1) Death by *anæmia* ('A, priv; *αἷμα*, blood), in which there is a want of due supply of blood to heart. The anæmia may be due to loss of blood or to its impoverishment and diminution by disease. Death by *asthenia* (A, priv; *σθένος*, strength), where there is a failure in contractile power of heart. This may arise from disease of the cardiac walls or valves; or from arrest of the heart's action through the nervous system, as in apoplexy; disease of medulla oblongata, shock, &c., or by certain poisons. When, either from anæmia or asthenia, the death is sudden it is said to be due to *syncope* (*Συγκόπτω*, to be affected with sudden prostration of strength). Sometimes life fails partly from anæmia and partly from asthenia; as in cases of starvation, phthisis, dysentery, &c.

Death by circulation of venous blood may happen in one of two ways:—(1) By *apnœa* ('A, priv; *πνέω*, to breathe), *asphyxia*, or *suffocation*, where access of air lungs is stopped; as in drowning, strangulation, many laryngeal and lung diseases, tetanus, section of phrenic and intercostal nerves, &c. (2) By *coma* (*Κῶμα*, deep sleep), in which muscular movements required for respiration cease, owing to insensibility produced by cerebral disease.—In apnœa there are successively impeded respiration, circulation of venous blood, and insensibility. In coma the order is reversed,—insensibility, cessation of thoracic movements, and stoppage of chemical functions of lungs.

**DELIRIUM TREMENS.**—From *Deliro*, to be crazy: *Tremo*, to tremble. Synon. *Delirium Ebrositatis*; *Mania a Potu*; *Delirium Vigilans*.—Delirium characterised by hallucinations, fear, trembling of muscles of extremities, weakness, and watchfulness. Natural tendency of the disorder to terminate in a critical sleep, at end of *from forty-eight to seventy-two hours from commencement of delirium*.

The chief cause of delirium tremens is alcoholism, and especially spirit drinking: it may be induced in a drinker by injury, or by some acute disease, as pneumonia, and under these circumstances it is very fatal. It is rare in women even when addicted to alcoholism.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sleeplessness. A busy, but not violent, delirium: aggravated towards night. Constant talking or muttering. Hallucinations of sight and hearing. A dread or suspicion of every one: a belief that strangers are under the bed, or listening at door. A generally excited and eager manner. Mental with bodily prostration. Tremulous motions of hands: constant twitching of facial muscles. Loss of appetite. Nausea. Constipation. Pallor and moisture of skin; frequent weak pulse.

In *favourable* cases, critical sleep, lasting twelve or more hours; from which patient wakes cured, though weak. In *fatal* examples, watchfulness continues; muttering delirium, subsultus tendinum, and exhaustion; great prostration, coma or convulsions or fatal syncope; syncope sometimes induced by struggles. Death usually between third and seventh days.

**TREATMENT.** Critical sleep to be brought about as soon as possible. Ice to cool irritable stomach. Salines, 348, 349, 356. Milk, raw eggs, beef tea. Brandy and egg mixture, 17. Ammonia and bitters, 361, 371. Ether, brandy, and bark. 367. Sumbul and hop, 369. Bromide of potassium, morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Indian hemp in doses of half a grain to one grain. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Chloral. Tincture of digitalis, in half-ounce doses, once or twice repeated. Patient to be restrained by one or two good attendants. Apartment to be kept quiet and dark. All sources of mental irritation to be removed. Cold affusion, or cold shower bath, sometimes very useful.

Avoidance of over-stimulation, and excessive doses of opium. Use of strait waistcoat very rarely advisable, as it increases irritation.—See *Dipsomania*.

**DENGUE.**—Synon. *Scarlatina Rheumatica*; *Eruptive Epidemic Fever*; *Eruptive Rheumatic Fever*; *Dandy Fever*; *Break-bone Fever*.—In certain parts of East Indies, Southern States of America, as well as in Philadelphia and New York, occasional extraordinary epidemics of a peculiar infectious fever, in which an eruption like that of scarlatina is combined with severe rheumatic pains in limbs and joints. Sometimes throat is implicated; occasionally testicles enlarge; often, lymphatic glands of neck and groin swell. Pains about shoulders and arms, loins and hips, thighs and legs; great soreness of muscles and bones; headache and flushing of face; rapid pulse and coated tongue; nausea and vomiting; prostration. The disease generally lasts about eight days, but rheumatic pains last for a long time. Demands the use of antacid aperients, salines, colchicum with opium, and bark or quinine.

**DIABETES MELLITUS.**—From *Διά*, through; *βαλω*, to move; *Μέλι*, honey. Synon. *Melituria*; *Paruria Mellita*; *Glucosuria*;

*Glucœmia ; Saccharine Diabetes.*—A complicated chronic disease, due to inefficient performance of some important function. Characterised by secretion of a large quantity of urine containing glucose or grape sugar.

**SYMPTOMS.** Come on insidiously. Muscular weakness. Malaise : sense of feverishness. Excretion of large quantities of urine, having a faint apple-like odour, and a high sp. grav., sometimes 1035—1050. Dryness and harshness of skin. Constipation : hard dry fœces. Constant thirst. Failure of general health ; loss of sexual power. Pain about loins. Coldness of extremities, with sense of burning in hands and feet. Increasing debility, diminution in weight, shrinking of frame, œdema of legs, and sometimes albuminuria. Chloroform-like smell of breath. Sponginess of gums, with decay of teeth. Mental depression and irritability. Constant sense of sinking at stomach, with voracious appetite. Tendency to double cataract : to boils.—Often becomes associated with phthisis after a time. In confirmed cases death from some intercurrent low form of inflammation,—bronchitis, pleurisy, pneumonia, or peritonitis ; from coma which may supervene gradually or suddenly, and may or may not be accompanied with acetone odour in breath (acetonœmia) ; from gangrene of legs ; phthisis ; or from gradual exhaustion.

Sugar to be detected in urine by potash, copper, or fermentation tests.

**TREATMENT.** *Diet* :—To be nutritious, yet free from saccharine and amylaceous materials. Meat, poultry, game, ham or bacon, white fish, eggs. Weak beef tea, mutton broth. Milk, or preferably cream. Neufchatel, Stilton, or cream cheese. Butter. Greens, green leaves of lettuce, spinach, watercresses. Bran loaf, 9. Almond rusks and biscuits. Gluten bread. Stale well-fermented bread thoroughly toasted. Skim milk in large quantity as sole food has been recommended. Koumiss. Spring water, iced water, soda water, Vichy water. Tea sweetened with glycerine. Dry sherry : Bordeaux wine : dry Hungarian wines : Burgundy : weak brandy and water : whisky and water.—*Forbid* :—Sugar. Pastry. Fruit. Confectionery. Potatoes. Carrots. Parsnips. Beetroot. Turnips. Radishes. Macaroni. Rice, sago, tapioca, arrowroot. Liver. Oysters, lobsters, crabs, mussels. Beer ; raw spirits ; liqueurs. Coffee.

*Drugs* :—Opium. Codeia. Opium, ipecacuan, and nitre, 324. Ergot, alkaline, carbonates. Citrate of ammonia or potash, with steel, 403. Reduced iron, aloes, and nux vomica, 404. Strychnia. Quinine and opium. Creasote, 41. Cod liver oil ; or suet boiled in milk. Peroxide of hydrogen. Oxygenated water. Pepsine, 420. Castor oil : Seidlitz powders : Rhubarb and magnesia : Aperient enemata.

*General remedies* :—Warm clothing : flannel or chamois leather next the skin of trunk and extremities. Hot water or vapour baths. Turkish bath, 130. Mineral springs of Vichy, Carlsbad.

*Remedies which have been employed* :—Carbonate of soda. Acetate of potash. Tartrate of potash and soda. Carbonate of ammonia. Indian hemp. Permanganate of potash. Alum. Lime water.

*Yeast.* Large quantities of sugar. Potato bread. Iodine. Nitric acid. *Phosphoric acid.* Sulphur. Turpentine. Inhalation of oxygen gas.

**DIARRHŒA.**—From *Διαρρέω*, to flow through. Synon. *Coprorrhœa*; *Catarrhus Intestinalis*; *Summer or Bilious Diarrhœa*; *English Cholera*; *Purging*.—A relaxed state of bowels—i.e., the frequent evacuation of loose or liquid stools.

**SYMPTOMS.** Purging. Nausea. Furred tongue. Foul breath. Flatulence and griping pains. Acid eructations. Tenesmus. Stools unhealthy; consist either of liquid fæces, or a watery sæculent mucus, or thin frothy serum, or of pale yeast-like matter. In severe summer or English cholera, evacuations often consist chiefly of bile: violent abdominal pains, cramps in legs, chilliness, and depression.

**TREATMENT.** *Expulsion of offending matter from intestinal canal*.—Castor oil, 164. Castor oil and opium, 114, 164. Tincture of rhubarb. Compound powder of rhubarb. Blue pill and rhubarb, 171. Warm water enema. Calomel.

*Subsequently, or at first when cause has been removed by spontaneous purging*.—Ether and opium, 85. Chloroform, morphia, and Indian hemp, 317. Chalk mixture, with catechu and opium, 97. Rhatany, 96. Matico and rhatany, 105. Aromatic sulphuric acid and opium, 100. Liquid extract of bael, 58, 97. Kino and logwood, 108. Compound powder of catechu. Aromatic powder of chalk and opium. Powder of kino and opium. Powder of ipecacuan and opium. White bismuth, 65, 112. Astringent enemata, 113. Enema of opium. Morphia suppository. Vegetable charcoal, 98.—Careful diet. No solid food. Milk boiled, or not. Mucilaginous drinks. Mucilage of gum Arabic. Tapioca, sago, or milk arrowroot. Saccharated solution of lime and milk, 14. Milk and soda water or lime water. Weak broths. Later, custard or rice puddings. White fish. Pepsine, 420. Port wine. Brandy and cold water. Ice.—Linseed poultices. Turpentine stupes. Wearing a flannel belt or bandage round abdomen. Avoidance of damp and cold.

*Remedies sometimes used*.—Nitrate of silver. Chloride of silver. Sulphate of copper. Ammonio-sulphate of copper. Tannate of bismuth. Alum. Cinnamon. Oxide of zinc. Iron-alum. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Acetate of lead. Ergot of rye. Dilute sulphuric acid. Blisters. Ice to spine, &c.

*Infantile diarrhœa*.—Often attended with great danger. In early stage, castor oil, or calomel, or grey powder with rhubarb and soda, to remove offending matters. Later, minute doses of laudanum with dill water or bismuth.

No milk or other food to be given for 12 or 24 hours, but water, toast water, sweetened barley water, or rice water. This alone often sufficient with warmth.

**DIPHTHERIA.**—From *Διφθέρα*, a skin or membrane. Synon. *Angina Maligna*; *Cynanche Membranacea*; *Putrid Sore Throat*; *Malignant Quinsy*.—An epidemic and contagious sore throat of great severity, due to toxæmia; attended with much prostration, and characterised by exudation of false membranes on tonsils and adjacent structures.—When followed by recovery; it often leaves an altered state of voice, and may be followed by partial paralysis of muscles of

deglutition, weakness of extremities, impaired vision, and other secondary nerve affections.—Children more obnoxious to this specific blood disease than adults. Most common amongst poor, or such as reside in damp situations and badly drained houses.

**SYMPTOMS.** May commence gradually with feelings of depression and muscular debility, headache, nausea, slight diarrhoea, chilliness, drowsiness, and sense of stiffness about neck; or sometimes with high fever, quick pulse, flushed face, and hot skin. Then, tonsils get inflamed and swollen: swelling and tenderness of glands about angles of lower jaw. Inflammatory action spreads to velum, uvula, posterior part of pharynx. Perhaps difficult deglutition. The characteristic feature is effusion of a plastic fibrinous material. This may first appear in nasal fossæ, or on soft palate, on one tonsil, or on back of pharynx, most frequently on tonsils, from which it spreads to pillars of fauces, soft palate, &c. Exudation looks like ash-coloured specks; which, enlarging and coalescing, form large patches resembling damp dirty wash-leather. As disease spreads, false membrane increases in thickness and extent: firmly attached to mucous membrane beneath: if forcibly removed mucous membrane seems to be abraded and bleeding, but not ulcerated; a new patch soon forms: may spread to cheek and gums, œsophagus, or through glottis into larynx and trachea. When membrane begins to separate and decompose, horribly fœtid breath: when thrown off, there may be left ulceration, sloughing, or gangrene; or tissues gradually assume a healthy appearance. True diphtheritic membranes sometimes form on abraded cutaneous surface, conjunctiva, mucous coat of vagina, or rectum, &c.

Unless initial fever high, constitutional symptoms may be slight at first, and sometimes the throat is discovered to be coated with false membrane before any illness is obvious. Soon, prostration and restlessness. Temperature often low. Pulse increases in rapidity. Saliva often dribbles away. Breath fœtid. Disinclination for exertion or food. Dysphagia often absent. Attacks of hæmorrhage occasionally from nose, fauces, or bronchi. Albuminuria present in most cases from early period. Sometimes purpura.—Death from exhaustion, hæmorrhage, ichoræmia, uræmia, gangrene, or asphyxia,—consciousness remaining till close. Sometimes, fatal event due to thrombosis.—In event of recovery, convalescence tardy. Anæmia. Secondary nerve affections: paralysis, neuralgia, defective vision.

**TREATMENT.** No specific known. By remedies of a supporting nature, patient may be often guided through the great danger, which is present in every case.

*Locally:*—External applications—leeches, blisters, poultices, fomentation—to throat, useless or injurious. At commencement, inhalation of acid vapour—three ounces of vinegar to pint of boiling water; hot-water spray. When pellicle has formed,—spray of hot atomised lime water, 262, or solution of borax or phosphate of soda; *sulphurous acid spray*. Iodine inhalation, 259. Painting, with *tincture of perchloride of iron and glycerine*; turpentine; strong solu-



tion of nitrate of silver; solution of chlorinated soda. Hydrochloric acid gargle, 248. Borax gargle, 250. Chlorinated soda gargle, 254. Creasote gargle, 255. Gargle of hot saccharated solution of lime. *Avoidance* of solid nitrate of silver, nitric acid, hydrochloric acid, and other caustics. Tearing away of exudation, injurious.

*General remedies*:—In early stage, emetic of ipecacuan and ammonia, 233. Cream of tartar drink, 356. Chlorate of potash drink, 360. If there be depression, or both, or albuminuria, commence with tincture of perchloride of iron, 392. Chlorate of potash, 61. Quinine and iron, 380. If thrombosis be feared, ammonia and bark, 371. Iodide of potassium, 31. Sulphurous acid. Sulphite of soda, or magnesia, 48. Opium. Essence of beef, 3. Eggs, cream, and beef tea, 5. Lime water and milk, 14. Brandy and eggs, 17. Brandy. Port wine. Champagne. Milk, or cream. Ice, to suck very freely.

Patient to be kept in bed, from commencement; flannel clothing often advantageous. Air of room to be pure and warm (70° F.); to be kept moist by evaporation of boiling water. Sinapisms to epigastrium, if there be sickness. Simple enemata, or castor oil, if there be constipation. Linseed poultices to loins, or hot fomentations, if suppression of urine come on. Chloroform inhalation, where attacks of dyspnoea are paroxysmal. Tracheotomy or laryngotomy, when exudation obstructs larynx. When swallowing is prevented, nutrient enemata, 21, 22, 23.—*Directly convalescence is firmly established*:—Sea air. Very generous diet. Cod liver oil. Quinine and steel. Strychnia, or nux vomica. Faradization if paralysis supervene.

**DIPLOPIA**.—From διπλός, double; δπτομαι, to see. Synon. *Ambiopia*; *Dittopsia*; *Double Vision*.—Arises from some derangement in the visual axes by paralysis or spasm of muscles of one eyeball, or some irregularity in density or curvature of dioptric media, or some disease of retina or optic nerve.—See *Amaurosis*.

**DIPSOMANIA**.—From δίψα, thirst; μανία, madness.—An intense craving for intoxicating liquors; attended with a protracted state of general depression and restlessness. An unphilosophical and dangerous view to regard a dipsomaniac as in every case an irresponsible being. Hard drinking a degrading vice: difficult to discontinue, the more it is indulged in.

Excessive use of alcoholic stimuli leads to:—Induration of portions of nervous centres. Congestions of respiratory organs. Cirrhosis or gin-drinker's liver. Chronic inflammation, and thickening of walls of stomach. Disease of substance of heart, and of kidneys. Dropsy. Tuberculosis.

**TREATMENT**. Total abstinence from intoxicating drinks. Henbane, hop, bromide of potassium, chloral, or small doses of opium, to avoid sleepless nights. Bark and mineral acids, 376. Quinine, 379. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Phosphate of iron, 405. Phosphate of zinc, 414. Oxide of zinc, 415. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, 419. Pepsine, 420. Nourishing food. Milk. Fruit syrups in soda water. In almost hopeless cases it may be justifiable to substitute

opium for alcohol. Opium-eating much less injurious than alcohol to general health; while the subject of it is not an intolerable nuisance like the drunkard.—See *Delirium Tremens*.

**DIURESIS.**—From *Διδ*, through; *ὀφείω*, to pass urine. Synon. *Diabetes Insipidus*.—A condition in which an excessive quantity of pale limpid urine is secreted, free from sugar or other abnormal ingredients.

**SYMPTOMS.** Insatiable thirst (polydipsia), with excretion of large quantities of urine. Watery constituents of latter alone increased; total amount of urinary solids not greater than in health: in exceptional cases, however, the solids, and particularly the urea, have been above the average (polyuria). General health usually suffers: annoying thirst and frequent micturition cause bad nights. Sometimes dropsy sets in.

If there be an excess of urine over amount of liquid taken, one of three explanations must be adopted:—(1) Either the body becomes poorer in water, and so loses weight. (2) Or, water is absorbed by skin and lungs. (3) Or, water is formed in system by direct union of its elements—oxygen and hydrogen (Parkes).

**TREATMENT.** Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101. Phosphoric acid and nux vomica, 376. Iron alum, 116. Gallic acid, 103. Ergot. Opium. Valerian. Warm baths. Cod liver oil. Enforced abstinence from fluids useless.

*Remedies sometimes employed*.—Ergot of rye. Mineral acids. Tannic acid. Oxide of zinc. Iodide of potassium. Green iodide of mercury. Assafœtida. Camphor. Nitrate of potash.

**DRACONTIASIS.**—From *Δράκων*, a serpent. Synon. *Malus Dracunculus*; *Helminthonus Medinensis*.—*Dracunculus medinensis*, *Filaria medinensis*, or Guinea-worm, has a slender cylindrical body, sometimes nearly as thick as a crowquill, and from one to twelve feet in length. Usually found in human body in subcutaneous areolar tissue of feet and legs.—Endemic in some parts of Asia and Africa, especially in marshy districts: individuals returning from these countries occasionally bring this nematode helminth with them.

**SYMPTOMS.** May be absent for some months: then a feeling of irritation in affected part, when a cord-like ridge may be felt. Constitutional disturbance: fever, headache, nausea, colic, debility. A kind of boil forms: sometimes pustule breaks, and head of worm protrudes.

**TREATMENT.** *Curative*.—When head protrudes, a thread to be placed round it and rolled on a piece of stick or bougie; day by day drawing worm out, and winding it round the stick until extraction is complete. When worm does not protrude, it may be exposed by incision; parasite being removed in a loop, or a wedge of wood being inserted around which it is to be wound without fracture.

*Prophylactic*.—Feet to be well protected, when travelling in districts where Guinea-worm is found. Thorough drying of feet after

bathing, or wading through marshy districts. Avoidance of lying on the ground with any part of body exposed to the soil.

**DROPSY.**—Formerly correctly called *hydropsy*, from *ἕδωρ*, water, and *δψis*, an appearance. An accumulation of watery or serous liquid in some one or more of the natural serous cavities of the body, or in the meshes of the areolar tissue, or in both, often occurring independently of inflammation.

May be due (1) to obstruction to venous return causing over-distension of the veins and their capillaries, which may arise from many different conditions. The most common are:—Valvular or other disease of heart. Retarded circulation with increased fulness of veins, in pulmonary emphysema, bronchitis, &c. Structural disease of liver, impeding return of blood through the portal system of veins, and causing ascites. Pressure of tumours, enlarged glands, gravid uterus, &c., on veins. (2) To kidney disease giving rise to imperfect elimination of urea and water which therefore accumulate in the blood; and (3) Anæmic or watery blood.—See *Anasarca*; *Ascites*; *Hydrocephalus*; *Hydrothorax*; *Hydropericardium*, *Hydrocele*, &c. (4) Inflammatory hyperæmia, as is seen in pleuritic effusion, strumous ascites, hydrocele, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Remove or relieve diseased condition of which dropsy is a symptom. To carry off fluid.—Purgatives. Diuretics. Diaphoretics. Emetics. Alteratives. Tonics. Tapping. Incisions or acupuncture. Southey's tubes. Issues.

**Purgatives:**—Calomel, 159. Jalap, 140, 159. Compound jalap powder. Compound scammony powder. Compound pill of gamboge. Elaterium, 157. Croton oil, 168. Black hellebore. Tobacco. Oil of turpentine, 190. Acid tartrate of potash, 228. Rhubarb. Colocynth. Resin of podophyllum.

**Diuretics:**—Acetate of potash, 219. Nitrate of potash, 212. Digitalis, 219. Squills, 219. Copaiba, or its resin, 220. Buchu, 222. Senega, 214. Compound spirit of horseradish. Spirit of nitrous ether. Tincture of cantharides. Oil of spirit of juniper, 221, 229. Infusion of uva ursi. Benzoate of ammonia and digitalis, 221. Liquor potassæ. Fomentations to loins. Cupping or leeches to loins. Dry cupping over the kidneys.

**Diaphoretics:**—Tartarated antimony, 210, 213. Antimonial powder. Opium. Powder of ipecacuan and opium. Elder-flower water. Guaiacum, 43. Hot water baths, 119. Hot air or vapour baths, 130. Wet sheet packing, 135.

**Emetics:**—Ipecacuanha, 231, 233. Sulphate of zinc, 232. Mustard.

**Alteratives:**—Corrosive sublimate, 27. Compound pill of calomel. Mercury and chalk. Blue pill. Colchicum, 46. Liquor arsenicalis, 52. Chlorate of potash, 61. Iodide of potassium, 31.

**Tonics:**—Nitric acid, 147. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Citrate of iron and ammonia. Citrate of iron and quinia. Iodide of iron, 32. Tartarated iron. Cod liver oil.

**DROWNING.**—For the restoration of the asphyxiated from submersion, see *Suspended Animation*.

**DUODENAL DISEASES.**—From *Duodeni*, twelve; because this portion of bowel was said by the ancients to be as long as the breadth of twelve fingers.—Great difficulty in diagnosing diseased conditions of duodenum from those of small intestines generally.

**1. Duodenitis.**—Synon. *Dodecadactylitis*.—Acute inflammation seldom limited to duodenum: generally complicated with similar disease in stomach, jejunum, or ileum; or with inflammation of gall-bladder, or under surface of liver, accompanied by jaundice.

**SYMPTOMS.** Probably pain about epigastric and right hypochondriac regions; perhaps only becoming severe about three hours after taking food. Well-marked tenderness about right hypochondrium; partly owing to inflamed condition of intestine, and partly to sympathetic irritation about liver. Thirst. Unaltered or even increased appetite. Nausea and vomiting. Diarrhoea, with unnatural and offensive stools. Weakness, mental anxiety, and loss of flesh.—When complicated with inflammation of the biliary apparatus, or when due to the irritation set up by a gall-stone (which may cause inflammation, ulceration, and perforation of the walls of the gall-bladder and intestine, so as to allow of its escape into the duodenum), there will be jaundice with the usual results. If there be also pancreatic disease the liquid stools will contain fatty matters.

**TREATMENT.** Castor oil, or calomel as an aperient. Opium. Solution of acetate of ammonia. Mucilaginous drinks. Milk diet. Linseed poultices. Poppy-head fomentations.

**2. Duodenal Dyspepsia.**—Either the result of chronic or subacute inflammation, or simply of impaired function.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain about duodenum some three hours after food has been taken. Nausea. Attacks of faintness. Occasionally, jaundice; especially when the disease is caused by abuse of alcoholic drinks.

**TREATMENT.** Mercury and chalk. Mercury and chalk with opium, 34. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Nitric acid, senna, and taraxacum, 147. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine and rhubarb, 178, 370, 385. Ipecacuan, rhubarb, and oxide of silver, 179. Ammonia and ox bile, 170. Ammonia and chiretta, 63.—See *Dyspepsia*.

**3. Perforating Ulcer of Duodenum.**—Presents, in a mitigated form, many of the symptoms of ulcer of stomach. There may be diarrhoea with bloody stools; nausea and vomiting; great prostration, &c. Fatal perforation sometimes occurs suddenly where premonitory symptoms have been mild. A sloughing ulcer is liable to form in upper part of duodenum within a few days of a severe burn.—See *Gastric Ulcer*.

**4. Cancer of Duodenum.**—As a primary affection very rare. Not unfrequently the duodenum is secondarily involved in progress of *hepatic cancer*, and in malignant disease of pancreas or neighbouring *lymphatic glands*. Colloid form most common. When the diseased

mass presses on the ductus communis there will be jaundice.—Death may occur from inanition, or from peritonitis the result of perforation, or from obstruction of the bowel.—See *Gastric Cancer*.

**DYSENTERY.**—From *Δύς*, difficulty or badness; *έντερον*, intestine. Synon. *Colitis*; *Colorectitis*; *Bloody Flux*.—A specific inflammation and ulceration of mucous lining (occasionally also of other tissues) of the colon, especially perhaps of lower part of this gut and rectum; attended with febrile disturbance, severe griping pains, mucous and bloody stools, and great prostration. Has been improperly termed *colitis* (*Colon*, the large gut; terminal *-itis*); cases occurring where ulceration does not stop at ilio-cæcal valve, but extends several inches up small intestine.

Severe dysentery rare in this country. Sometimes breaks out in unhealthy localities. In tropics often very fatal.—Has been ascribed to wet and cold, contagion, malaria, polluted water, intemperance, deprivation of fresh fruit and vegetables, bad or insufficient or salt food, insufficient clothing, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** *Acute form*:—Uneasiness and pain in abdomen of a griping character (*tormina*, from *Torqueo*, to torture), with frequent inclination to go to stool. As ulceration commences, desire to empty bowel becomes more frequent, and is followed by shorter interval of ease. Evacuations scanty, thin, mucous, bloody; mixed with small hard lumps of fæces (*scybala*, from *Σκύβαλον*, excrement). The scanty stools produce great distress; griping, and straining without any evacuation (*tenesmus*, from *Τένω*, to strain); peculiarly fætid and dark-coloured motions, mixed with blood and purulent matter and shreds of lymph; Frequent micturition; urine high-coloured; gives rise to scalding. Sometimes constant desire to micturate, only a few drops coming away at a time *strangury*, from *Στράγγη*, a drop; *οἶσρον*, urine). Great constitutional disturbance and prostration.

Often associated with hepatitis and hepatic abscess. May end in perforation of bowel and fatal peritonitis: in rupture and fæcal abscess: in ichorhæmia and secondary abscesses: in fatal exhaustion. After healing of ulcerations in favourable cases there may be troublesome constipation from contraction of cicatrices.

*Chronic variety*:—Most intractable. Often causes atrophy of mucous membrane with degeneration of intestinal glands: or imperfectly cicatrized ulcers remain in tissues of cæcum, colon, or rectum. Most cases recover. Sometimes, however, patient gradually wastes: skin gets dry and scaly: improvement one day with relapse the next: discharges of fæcal matter, mixed with thin pus and blood, most offensive: the exhaustion, pains, tenesmus, &c., render death welcome.

**TREATMENT.** *Acute*:—Perfect rest in bed, in well-ventilated room. Demulcent drinks. Ice. Farinaceous food: milk or cream: thin broths. Warm bath. Fomentations: linseed poultices: wet compress. A few doses of castor oil (164) if there be lodgment of scybala. Sulphate of magnesia, in one or two drachm doses every

three or four hours till character of diarrhoea altered, often useful. Ipecacuanha most valuable, given thus :—Interdict use of fluids for three hours ; apply a large hot linseed poultice, containing two or three tablespoonfuls of mustard, over epigastrium : a full dose of opium in form of enema or suppository : thirty or forty-five minutes subsequently give from thirty to sixty grains of ipecacuan powder in form of bolus, in mucilaginous draught, or wrapped up in wafer-paper ; repeating dose, if necessary, at end of six or twelve or twenty-four hours. *Subsequently* :—Opiate suppositories or enemata, 339, 340. If there be weakness and anæmia, salicine ; quinine ; bark and ether ; cascarella ; or some mild preparation of steel. If stools continue numerous and frothy and bloody, bismuth ; gallic acid ; kino ; logwood ; sulphate of copper. In scorbutic cases, lemon or orange juice. Generous diet ; milk or cream, raw eggs, strong broths, ripe grapes, perhaps stimulants. Restorative soup, 3.

*Remedies sometimes employed* :—Bloodletting. Leeches to anus. Emetics. Calomel. Compound powder of jalap. Sulphur. Acid tartrate of potash. Nitrate of silver. Tartaric acid. American hellebore (*Veratrum viride*). Belladonna. Hydrocyanic acid. Narcotine. Infusion of linseed. Mucilage of tragacanth. Tobacco fomentations. Turpentine stupes.

*Chronic or subacute* :—Residence in a mild, dry, equable climate. Sea voyage. Warm clothing. Constant use of flannel roller round belly. In severe cases exclusively milk diet. Plain animal food : milk or cream : raw eggs. Grapes : oranges. Morphia. Chloroform, morphia, and Indian hemp, 317. Liquid extract of bael, 58, 97. Sumbul and ether, 95. Pill of lead and opium (officinal). Sulphate of copper and opium, 106. Nitrate of silver and opium, 107. Kino and logwood, 108. Matico and rhatany, 105. Gallic acid, 103. Australian red gum. Alum and sulphuric acid, 115. Tannic acid lozenges. White bismuth, 65, 112. Vegetable charcoal, 98. Iron alum, 116. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Reduced iron. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Pepsine, 420. Cod liver oil. Quinine, rhubarb, and hop, 370. Enemata of acetate of lead and liquor opii.

**DYSMENORRHOEA.**—From  $\Delta\upsilon\varsigma$ , difficulty ;  $\mu\eta\nu$ , a month ;  $\rho\acute{\epsilon}\omega$ , to flow. Synon. *Paramenia difficilis* ; *Menstrua Dolorosa* ; *Amenorrhœa Partialis* ; *Laborious or Difficult Menstruation*.—Three distinct varieties :—

**1. Neuralgic Dysmenorrhœa.**—Afflicts nervous women, in delicate health, about time of puberty : or may come on after some years of painless menstruation, especially in those who have never been pregnant.

**SYMPTOMS.** Malaise, headache, with pain about sacrum and lower part of abdomen for a few days prior to period. Soreness of inner and upper part of thighs. Bearing-down, with sense of pelvic weight. If discharge comes on freely, relief experienced. Commonly, flow is *scanty*—slight gushes : suffering becomes acute, sometimes vomiting. *Pain lessens and returns.* Hysteria. Flatulence and constipation.

Pain probably in ovaries, rather than in uterus. No swelling or heat of parts.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm*.—Hot hip bath for thirty or forty-five minutes. Bath, with extract of poppies and carbonate of soda (an ounce of each). Pessary of oxide of zinc and belladonna, or of iodoform, or of conia, 423. Indian hemp, aconite, ether, and juniper, 342. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Opium and henbane, with hot gin and water, 343. Hypodermic injection of morphia, 314. Linseed, or hemlock, poultice to abdomen and vulva.

*During interval*.—Quinine and mineral acid, 379. Bark, phosphoric acid, and aconite, 376. Salicin, 388. Phosphorus Hypophosphite of soda and sumbul, 419. Cod liver oil, 389. Compound rhubarb pill. Effervescing citrate of magnesia. Taraxacum juice. Pepsine, 420. Iodide of lead and belladonna pessaries, 423. Chamomile tea. Nourishing food: substitution of milk or cocoa for tea and coffee. Wine; weak brandy and water; bitter ale. Avoidance of sexual intercourse. Warm sea baths.

**2. Congestive Dysmenorrhœa.**—Synon. *Membranous Dysmenorrhœa*.—Generally occurs at later period of life than neuralgic form.

**SYMPTOMS.** Suffering begins four or five days before each period. Backache; weariness and restlessness; sense of pelvic weight; irritability of bladder. Hæmorrhoids; frequent flushings; throbbing uterine pain. Discharge comes on gradually: scanty at commencement; relief follows abundant flow. Clots and shreds, or flakes of membrane expelled: sometimes pear-shaped casts of uterine cavity, formed of epithelial lining of uterus, analogous to decidua. Uterus found congested, lips cedematous, on examination; sometimes displaced: ovaries tender. Swelling and tenderness of breasts.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm*.—Same as for neuralgic form. Three or four leeches to labia uteri. Scarification of labia.

*During interval*.—Mercury and conium, or iodide of lead and belladonna or conia pessaries, 423. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Iodide of potassium, 31. Bromide of potassium, 42. Alkalies and salines. Mercurial vapour baths, 131. Colchicum, 46. Cod liver oil. Plain living: absence of stimulants. Avoidance of sexual intercourse. Cold salt water hip baths. Moderate exercise in open air. Sea air.

**3. Mechanical Dysmenorrhœa.**—That form in which there is stricture of internal or external os uteri; or a narrowing of entire canal of cervix; or some uterine tumour; or uterine displacement—retroflexion or antelexion. Ensuing remarks apply only to the variety due to stricture of internal or external os or to narrowing of entire cervical canal; conditions causing sterility as well as dysmenorrhœa.

**SYMPTOMS.** Indicative of obstruction to escape of menstrual fluid. A scanty flow: discharge escapes in gushes; each gush attended by pain. Backache. Irritability of bladder. Congestion and tenderness of ovaries. Examination reveals a very small os uteri: or an orifice of normal size, stricture being detected by uterine sound at

internal os. Sometimes, os uteri only slightly smaller than natural; but under influence of menstrual molimen spasmodic contraction occurs, with all the suffering of organic stricture.

**TREATMENT.** Incision of uterine canal with hysterotome (Routh's or Simpson's); followed by plugging with oiled lint, or introduction of a spring stem pessary (Greenhalgh's). Dilatation, by sea-tangle or sponge-tents, less likely than incision to affect permanent cure; and more apt to be followed by pelvic cellulitis, metritis, or ovaritis. Dilatation by bougies, useless.

**DYSPEPSIA.**—From  $\Delta\delta\varsigma$ , difficulty;  $\pi\acute{\epsilon}\pi\tau\omega$ , to digest. Synon. *Apepsia*; *Digestio Difficilis*; *Concoctio Tarda*; *Indigestion*.—Anything which interferes with the healthy action of stomach and intestines may give rise to indigestion.

**SYMPTOMS.** Variable in nature and severity. Loss of appetite. Pain, weight, and fulness at epigastrium, especially after eating. Flatulence. Nausea and vomiting. Costiveness alternating with diarrhoea. Furred tongue and foul breath. Palpitation. Headache. Pain under left scapula in loins and limbs. Heartburn. Cramp in stomach. Water-brash. Hypochondriasis.

In *slow digestion* from scanty secretion of gastric juice,—a feeling of fulness and distension in left hypochondrium, and at pit of stomach, after food. Flatulence; sour eructations; constipation; coated tongue; palpitation and irregular action of heart; headache and mental depression, &c.

**TREATMENT.** *General Directions*:—Digestion to be improved by means which invigorate system generally:—Rest and early hours. Relaxation from severe studies, or from harassing cares and anxieties of business. One day's holiday in every seven. Change of air: sea-bathing. Cold or tepid sponging. Wet compress over stomach, 136. Horse exercise: brisk walking. Disuse of tobacco. Alcoholic stimulants in great moderation.

*Regulation of Diet*:—Plain food in small quantities. Gruel; sago; arrowroot. Milk and water. Lime water and milk. Stale, or unfermented, or aerated bread. White fish,—especially sole, whiting, brill, turbot. Poultry; sweetbread; tripe; mutton; venison; pheasant; hare. Dry sherry; dry Ruster, Ofner Auslese, Carlowitz, Szamarodnya Muscat, or other white Hungarian wines. Weak cold brandy and water. Simple aerated water; soda water. Coffee, without chicory, but not after dinner. *Avoidance of*:—Vegetables, save cauliflower, asparagus, vegetable marrow: of raw fruit—save grapes and oranges; of pastry, cheese, tea, beer, port wine and undiluted spirits; of rapid mastication and hurry at mealtimes.

*Drugs*:—Pepsine, 420. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Pepsine and steel, 394. Rhubarb. Ipecacuanha and rhubarb, 179. Quinine and rhubarb, 178. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Ammonia and rhubarb, 161. Purified ox bile, 170. Nux vomica, 175. Nux vomica, or strychnine and steel. Steel and hydrochloric acid, 397. Steel and citrate of potash, 403. Quinine, rhubarb, and hop, 370. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Nitro-hydro-



chloric acid, 378. Salicin, 388. Nitrate of silver. Oxide of silver. White bismuth. Bicarbonate of potash. Ipecacuanha. Blue pill. Mercury and chalk. Taraxacum. Nitric acid. Saccharated solution of lime. Wood charcoal. Oxalate of cerium. Hydrocyanic acid. Lactic acid. Tannic acid. Gentian. Quassia. Hop. Kino. Serpentry. Chiretta. Cascarilla. Calumba. Compound tincture of cardamoms.—See *Gastralgia*; *Gastrodynia*; *Pyrosis*.

In dyspepsia with constipation, the waters of Carlsbad, Friedrichshall, Marienbad, Franzensbad. In dyspepsia from debility, Spa, Fachingen, Schwalbach.

**DYSPHAGIA.**—From  $\Delta\upsilon\varsigma$ , difficulty;  $\phi\acute{\alpha}\gamma\omega$ , to eat. Synon. *Deglutitio Impedita*; *Difficulty of Deglutition*.—Difficulty in swallowing is a prominent symptom in disease of pharynx and œsophagus, —as inflammation, ulceration, stricture, spasmodic contraction, polypus, or cancer. It may also arise from glossitis, acute or chronic tonsillitis, diphtheria, croup. From erysipelatous or other inflammation of areolar tissue of neck. Retro-pharyngeal abscess. Glossolaryngeal paralysis; paralysis of muscles of deglutition; progressive paralysis of insane; progressive muscular atrophy; paralysis agitans. Tetanus. Myelitis. Malignant, syphilitic, and tubercular ulcerations about epiglottis. Syphilitic ulceration of velum and fauces. The pressure of aneurismal or other tumours. Spasm of pharynx and œsophagus, as in hydrophobia. Inflammation, ulceration or œdema of larynx. And rarely from disease of laryngeal cartilages.

**DYSPHONIA CLERICORUM.**—From  $\Delta\upsilon\varsigma$ , difficulty or pain;  $\phi\omega\upsilon\eta$ , the voice; *Clericus*, a clergyman. Synon. *Follicular disease of Pharyngo-laryngeal membrane*.—Frequently, a nervous complaint; unattended in early stage by any organic lesion, but consisting of hyperæsthesia or irritability of investing membrane of fauces. Subsequently, congestion or inflammation or relaxation of mucous membrane; enlargement of tonsils; elongation of uvula; irritation, inflammation, morbid deposit, and ulceration of mucous follicles about isthmus faucium.—Clergymen, barristers, public speakers, actors, singers, &c., most liable to this disease.

**SYMPTOMS.** Uneasy sensations in upper part of throat, with frequent inclination to swallow, as if there were something in œsophagus. Coughing, hawking, and spitting of phlegm. Uneasiness or pain about larynx. Diminution in power of voice; hoarseness, especially toward evening: sometimes aphonia. Unhealthy, granular appearance of fauces. Mucous follicles seem to be filled with yellowish matter. A viscid muco-purulent secretion adhering to palate and velum.

**TREATMENT.** *Early stage*:—Quinine and iron, 380. Steel and pepsine, 394. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Phosphate of iron, 405. Iron alum, 116. Sulphurous acid. Cold shower baths, or sea bathing. Rest of voice. Temporary change of scene and occupation.

*Confirmed stage*:—Iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of iron, 32,

390. Iodide of ammonia, 38. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Phosphate of zinc, 414. Strychnia and steel, 408. Steel and chlorate of potash, 402. Quinine, steel, and arsenic, 381. Phosphoric acid, nux vomica, and bark, 376. Cod liver oil, 389. Nourishing food. Sea air. Undercliff, Torquay, Pau, Malaga, Algiers.

*Local applications*.—Inhalation of atomised alterative or astringent fluids, 262. Sulphurous acid inhalation. Sponging diseased parts, including interior of larynx, with solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 40—60 of crystals to fl. oz. j). Outside of throat to be protected; beard to be worn. Excision of tonsils, if they be affected with chronic enlargement and induration.

**DYSPPNEA**.—From  $\Delta\upsilon\varsigma$ , difficulty;  $\pi\acute{\nu}\epsilon\omega$ , to breathe. Synon. *Pseudo-Asthma*; *Respiratio Difficilis*; *Short Breath*.—May be *Pharyngeal*, from inflammatory swelling of fauces, tonsils, &c.

*Laryngeal* in croup, laryngitis, œdema of glottis, syphilitic, tubercular, or malignant diseases of larynx, foreign bodies or growths; laryngismus stridulus; spasm or paralysis from pressure on laryngeal nerves by inter-thoracic aneurism, tumour, &c.

*Tracheal*. From ulceration and narrowing, or from pressure by aneurism or tumours.

*Pulmonic*. From bronchitis, asthma, effusion into pleura, disease of lungs.

*Cardiac*. From valvular, or other disease, causing obstruction to entry of blood into heart from pulmonary veins.

*Uremic*. Usually nocturnal. Causation uncertain. Whether from action of poison on nerve centres, or from arterial spasm.

Other causes are, arrest of respiratory movement by spasm (tetanus) or paralysis of thoracic muscles and diaphragm. Pressure on diaphragm by ascitic fluid, abdominal tumour, pregnant uterus.

Simple shortness of breath may be caused by anæmia, debility, obesity, nervousness.

**ECLAMPSIA NUTANS**.—From  $\epsilon\kappa\lambda\acute{\alpha}\mu\pi\omega$ , to emit brilliant light; *Nuto*, to nod. Synon. *Salaam Convulsions of Infancy*.—A rare disease of infants; attended with a frequent bowing of the head. Probably a form of epilepsy. Sometimes leads to impairment of intellect.

**SYMPTOMS**. A peculiar, involuntarily, rapid bowing forward of the head, and occasionally of the body. Bowings repeated in rapid succession; attacks come on in paroxysms several times in day. Most severe seizures usually occur in morning, on waking from night's rest. After a time,—cerebral symptoms; convulsions; pure epilepsy; hemiplegia or paraplegia; general wasting. In favourable cases, symptoms remit at end of some months; bodily health completely restored in two or three years.

**TREATMENT**. Intestinal secretions to be kept healthy by mild *alteratives*,—mercury and chalk, rhubarb and soda, syrup of senna.

Tonics,—bark and ammonia; quinine; phosphate of iron and limea &c., 405. Cod liver oil, 389. Nourishing food. Warm clothing. Sea air. Tepid salt water baths. Ether spray to cervical spine. As *palliatives*,—chloroform inhalation: small doses of hydrocyanic acid. Opium aggravates the attacks.

**ECSTASY.**—*Ἐκστασις*, a deep trance; from *Ἐξίστημι*, to put a person out of his natural state. Synon. *Catalepsia Spuria*; *Trance*.—A condition analogous to the cataleptic. Patient insensible to all external impressions: absorbed in contemplation of some imaginary object. Eyes immovably fixed: impassioned sentences, fervent prayers, psalms and hymns are recited with great expression. Religious fanatics, by encouraging some predominant idea, fall into a state resembling incipient stage of monomania. “Gift of unknown tongues” mostly manifested by nervous women in a morbid condition. So also the *Stigmata*, hæmorrhagic patches in the hands, feet, side and brow. Faith, imagination, enthusiasm, and especially an irresistible propensity to imitation, will explain the origin of tarantism, dancing mania, convulsionaires of St. Medard, &c.—For treatment, see *Hysteria*.

**ECTHYMA.**—From *Ἐκθίω*, to break out in eruptions. Synon. *Furunculi Atonici*; *Dartre Crustacée*; *Phlyzacia*; *Papulous Scall*.—A non-contagious inflammation of the skin; characterised by large, round, prominent pustules, occurring upon any part of the body. Pustules usually distinct; seated upon an inflamed base; terminate in thick dark-coloured scabs, which leave superficial ulcers followed by cicatrices.—May be *acute*, and preceded by lancinating pains with fever: more commonly *chronic*, and due to bad living, syphilis, &c. Often met with on scalp of badly-nourished infants. In *ecthyma cachecticum*, ulcers assume an unhealthy appearance; general health much deteriorated.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Mineral acids and bark, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine and steel, 380. Quinine, steel, and arsenic, 381. Steel and aloes, 154. Steel and sulphate of magnesia, 166. Iodide of potassium. Opium. Henbane. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food.—*Locally*:—Warm or tepid baths. Gelatine baths, 132. Water dressing, dilute solution of subacetate of lead, oxide of zinc ointment, or subacetate of lead ointment to the scabs or ulcers.

**ECTROPION.**—From *Ἐκτρέπω*, to turn from. Synon. *Blepharoptosis*; *Divaricatio Palpebrarum*.—Eversion of the eyelid may be due to long-continued conjunctivitis, or to the contraction of one or more cicatrices on the cheek, or to dropping of lower lid from paralysis. More common with lower than with upper lid.

**TREATMENT.** Surgical operation.

**ECZEMA.**—From *Ἐκξέω*, to break forth in pustules. Synon. *Running Scall*; *Humid Tetter*.—A very common non-contagious skin disease. Usually classified with vesicular diseases, but this questioned. A portion of skin becomes red, inflamed, and stiff; in typical cases covered with minute vesicles; cuticle desquamates; a

discharge of serum takes place from follicles and sebaceous ducts of skin; and superficial moist excoriations, or patches of ulceration, covered with scabs or crusts, result. Copious exfoliations of dried exudation and epidermis which form large scabs. General health depressed: loss of appetite, irritability, restlessness. The disease may be acute or chronic.—*Eczema rubrum* is a very serious form of disease.—See *Pityriasis rubra*.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Effervescing citrate of magnesia, 169. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Rhubarb and blue pill, with henbane, 171. Steel and sulphate of soda, 180, 181. Saline aperients and tartar emetic. Alkaline salts. Quinine and steel, 380. Phosphate of iron, 405. Steel wine. Pill of carbonate of iron. Arsenic, 52. Quinine, steel and arsenic, 381. Steel and arsenic, 399. Cod liver oil, 389. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Red iodide of mercury and arsenic, 55. Opium. Henbane. Indian hemp.—Animal food: milk or cream: sherry, claret, &c. Exercise in pure air.

*Locally*:—Warm baths. Conium and starch bath, 122. Thin gruel, barley water, or simple water dressing. Subacetate of lead and glycerine lotion, 264. Glycerine and water (equal parts). Carbonate of soda and glycerine lotion, 268. Oleate of lead and glycerate of lead. Lime liniment. Saturation of scabs with washed lard or olive oil, and removal by linseed poultices. Oxide of zinc ointment. Diluted nitrate of mercury ointment, 305. Creasote and red oxide of mercury ointment, 301.—In *eczema capitis*, the hair to be cut off close to scalp.

**ELEPHANTIASIS GRÆCORUM.**—From *ἑλέφας*, the elephant,—owing to the terrible nature of the disease, and its causing the skin to resemble that of the elephant. Synon. *Elephantiasis Anæsthetica*; *Lazari Malum*; *True Leprosy*.—A terrible and dangerous constitutional disease: gradually becoming more and more rare. Norway, Spain, and Portugal only European countries in which it is now common. It is endemic: affects the poor and badly-nourished in preference to the well-fed: non-contagious, hereditary, and generally incurable. Tuberculated or not.

Characterised by patches of a purplish colour; which are succeeded by elevated tumours, irregular in shape and size, soft and smooth and insensible to touch, and which generally become the seat of unhealthy ulceration. Skin of face often affected; an elongation and thickening of lobes of ear; and a spreading out of alæ of nose. When face beset with tubercles, features become puffed out and traversed by deep lines; lips thicken; whiskers and eyebrows and eyelashes fall off. Countenance described as "leonine." Gradually, tubercles extend over the limbs; sensibility of mind and body becomes greatly blunted, until there is mere animal life. After some years, tubercles ulcerate; there is *ozæna*; fingers and toes become gangrenous, and drop off, the stumps healing; body exhales a loathsome fetor. Death occurs from exhaustion, diarrhœa, or erysipelas. Said to be due to a *specific* organism which infiltrates the nerves and other structures. *The nerves are greatly thickened and very firm.*

**TREATMENT.** Arsenic. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Nitric acid. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of iron. Bromide of potassium. Powdered bark of root of Mudar (*Calotropis Gigantea*; *Asclepias Gigantea*). Belvilacqua (*Asiatic Penny-wort*; *Hydrocotyle Asiatica*) internally, and locally to ulcerations. Frictions with *Chaulmoogra* oil. Phosphorus. Cod liver oil. Sudorific drinks. Turkish baths. Sulphur baths. Sea water baths. Sea air. Nourishing food: avoidance of salt meats. The Jews of Morocco are said to employ, as a prophylactic remedy, brandy distilled from raisins, pears, figs, and dates.

**EMBOLISM.**—From *ἔμβολος*, a plug.—A term used to designate the obstruction of an artery by a fibrinous concretion detached and transported from the interior of the heart or of some vessel, and carried onwards by the blood until the calibre of the vessel becomes too small to allow of further progress. The migratory substance is called an *embolus*.

**SYMPTOMS.** They depend upon the organ in which the embolus is arrested. A large clot from an inflamed vein fixed in pulmonary artery will induce immediate asphyxia; or if able to pass on into lung, may be the cause of hæmoptysis, pleuro-pneumonia, or even gangrene. Obstruction of the chief vessel of a limb will induce mortification. Plugging of cerebral artery may cause hemiplegia and softening of portion of brain; of renal artery albuminuria. Capillary embolism plays an important part in pyæmia and other conditions. Septic particles absorbed from a focus of unhealthy suppuration lodge in the apillaries of distant parts, and there set up secondary inflammation and abscesses.

**TREATMENT.** See *Thrombosis*.

**EMMETROPIA.** From *ἔμμετρος*, in regular measure; *ὤψ*, the eye. Synon. *Normal-sightedness*.—The emmetropic eye can distinguish the presence of an object the 600th of an inch in size at a distance of six inches. Can read Snellen's types at indicated distances.

The power of vision often injured by use of single eye-glasses. Light blue spectacles—"conservative spectacles"—do harm, the retina being benefited by the stimulus of white light. It would be as wise to employ "conservative" crutches to spare the muscles.

**EMPHYSEMA.**—From *ἐμφυσάω*, to inflate. Synon. *Pneumato-sis Pulmonum*; *Pneumectasis*.—Two varieties:—One consisting of enlargement and coalescence of air-cells, atrophy of their walls, and obliteration of their vessels (*vesicular* or *pulmonary* emphysema). The other due to infiltration of air into interlobular areolar tissue, or into sub-pleural areolar tissue (*interlobular* emphysema). Both forms produce habitual shortness of breath; occasional paroxysms of asthma; and such distress, that sufferer is unfit for any active occupation. They often lead to disease of right cavities of heart, with venous congestion and dropsy.

1. **Vesicular Emphysema.**—May affect one lung or both, or a part of each—especially anterior edges and apices.

**SYMPTOMS.** Dyspnoea, increased on any exertion. Feeble cough. Expectoration of frothy sputa. Dusky and pallid appearance of countenance. Weakness of voice. Stooping gait. Loss of flesh and strength, lowered temperature of body. Constipation. Weak and slow pulse. Attacks of asthma. Chest barrel-shaped; little respiratory movement of chest walls. On percussion,—unnatural clearness and extent of resonance. On auscultation,—various sounds, mostly of wheezing nature; the most characteristic is loud harsh inspiratory and expiratory murmur. Occasionally, a moist râle, like sub-crepitant rattle of bronchitis. Heart's sounds feeble: often cardiac displacement.

**TREATMENT.** Invigorating diet, with attention to digestive organs. Rest. Warm clothing. Carbonate of ammonia, 361, 371. Ammonia and ether, 85, 364. Lobelia and ether, 88. Sumbul and hop, 369. Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and pepsine, 394. Cod liver oil, 389. Steel and cocoa-nut oil, 391. Phosphate of iron, 405. Stramonium smoking. Raspail camphor cigarettes. Use of respirator. Warm climate.

**2. Interlobular Empysema.**—Generally due to sudden rupture of air-cells by violent strain. Very rarely associated with vesicular empysema. Can only be relieved by antispasmodics. When extensive may at once prove fatal.

**EMPYEMA.**—From 'Εν, within; πύον, pus. Synon. *Pyothorax*; *Hydrothorax Purulentus*.—The formation and accumulation of pus in the cavity of the pleura. Some physicians speak of true and false empyema: the first form being that in which pus is secreted by pleura in consequence of inflammation; the second, that in which pus finds its way into thoracic cavity from rupture of an abscess of lung.—See *Pleurisy*.

**ENDOCARDITIS.**—From 'Ενδον, within; καρδία, the heart; terminal -itis. Synon. *Internal Carditis*.—Inflammation of the serous membrane which lines the interior of the heart, and which by its reduplications assists to form the valves.—Endocarditis common in acute rheumatism, sometimes associated with pericarditis. May be secondary to renal disease, septicæmia, &c. Chronic endocarditis giving rise to changes in the valves may be caused by gout, by protracted high tension in the arteries, by strain from laborious occupations, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** In severe forms, a sense of oppression and uneasiness at præcordial region. Fever. Small and feeble and intermittent pulse. Patient prefers to lie on his back; is restless and anxious. Cold sweats. Oppressive dyspnoea. Jactitation. Syncope.

In ulcerative endocarditis which may come on in depressed constitution, in addition to above symptoms there will be irregular high temperature, evidences of general distribution of emboli, petechiæ on the skin and fever of typhoid character.

When endocarditis is of limited extent, or of subacute character, as

is most commonly the case, symptoms milder and more obscure. During rheumatic fever, it sometimes occurs without being recognised; though its power is manifested by the structural changes which remain after apparent recovery.—Endocarditis of left, more common than of right side of heart. That portion of membrane covering valves and lining orifices most frequently attacked. Seldom directly fatal: remote effects most to be dreaded.

*Physical signs*.—Palpation may detect vibratory thrill. Doubtful if there is ever increased dulness on percussion, owing to tumefaction of heart's walls. A soft mitral or aortic bellows-murmur detected by auscultation, but not always present in early stage. See *Cardiac Valvular Disease*.

*Terminations*.—Permanent valvular disease, with implication of heart's substance, and all their combined consequences. Systemic loss of tone; impoverishment of blood; obstruction to circulation; dropsy. Perhaps sudden death.—See *Embolism*.

*TREATMENT*. Perfect rest of body and mind. Sulphate of magnesia, or sulphate of soda, if there be constipation, 141, 144, 150, 152. Carbonate of ammonia, 361, 362. Aromatic spirit of ammonia, 349. Bicarbonate of potash drink, 355. Linseed poultices over cardiac region. Light diet.

*Remedies sometimes employed*.—Tartarated antimony. Calomel. Mercurial inunction. Digitalis. Opium. Colchicum. Blood-letting. Leeches. Blisters.

**ENDOMETRITIS**.—From *ἔνδον*, within; *μήτρα*, the womb; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Uterine Leucorrhœa*; *Uterine Catarrh*.—Catarrhal or croupy inflammation of mucous membrane lining uterine cavity.

*SYMPTOMS*. *Acute variety*.—Dry hot skin; general irritability; sallow complexion; loss of appetite. Pain about lower part of abdomen, sacrum, groins, inside of thighs. Sense of heat and fulness about pelvis: bearing-down. Frequent micturition; urine loaded with urates or uric acid. Tenesmus and diarrhœa; subsequently constipation. Hæmorrhoids. Tenderness of ovaries and uterus on pressure. Thick and tenacious discharge, after two or three days: subsequently, muco-purulent secretion tinged with blood, imparting a greenish-yellow or yellowish-red stain to body linen.

*Chronic form*.—Runs a tedious course. Obstinate dyspepsia; flatulence; constipation; mental depression. Wearying pains about sacrum, groins, &c. Discharge of abundant glairy mucus, resembling white of egg or mucilage. Increasing debility. Hysterical or convulsive affections, severe nausea, tympanites, tenderness of breasts, and menorrhagia, if lining of fundus be involved.

*TREATMENT*. *Acute variety*.—Rest in bed. Diet of fish, milk, tea, mucilaginous drinks. Castor oil. Calomel and compound jalap powder, 159. Podophyllin, 160. Warm hip baths. Warm water vaginal injections. Mercury and belladonna pessary, 423. Linseed poultices to lower part of abdomen and vulva. Four or six leeches to lips of uterus. Avoidance of sexual intercourse.

*Chronic form*.—Corrosive sublimate, 27. Green iodide of mercury, 53. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Donovan's triple solution, 51. Iodide of potassium, 31. Mercury, or iodide of lead, and belladonna pessaries, 423. Pepsine, 420. Cod liver oil. Leeches to labia uteri, or scarifications, only if there be congestion and no tendency to menorrhagia. Division of os uteri with hysterotome, if there be constriction. Application of solid nitrate of silver up cervical canal, or astringent uterine pessaries (424), in endometritis limited to cervix. Injection of tincture of iodine, but only after dilatation of os uteri by sponge-tents.—Animal food, milk, raw eggs. Avoidance of malt liquors. Gentle exercise in open air.—Subsequently,—Mineral acids with bark, 376. Quinine, 379. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Steel and pepsine, 394. Phosphate of iron, 405. Mineral waters of Spa, Homburg, Carlsbad, Marienbad, Kissingen.

**ENDOSTEITIS.**—From *ἔνδον*, within; *ὀστέον*, a bone; terminal *-itis*.—Inflammation of medullary membrane lining central canal of long bones, as well as cells of flat and irregular bones.—See *Osteomyelitis*.

**ENTERITIS.**—From *ἔντερον*, an intestine; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Intestinorum Inflammatio*; *Ileocolitis*; *Enterophlegmosis*.—Inflammation of the small intestines varies much in severity. Results sometimes very slight. There are no signs by which the morbid action can be positively diagnosed as existing only in duodenum, or in jejunum, or in ileum. All the coats of the bowel may be involved, or only the mucous lining.

**SYMPTOMS.**—*Muco-Enteritis*, or *acute intestinal catarrh*, a form of diarrhœa, with bilious, and mucous or later serous stools. When the muscular coat involved, rigors; hot skin; thirst; hard and frequent pulse. Abdominal pain, especially around umbilicus; increased by pressure. Nausea and vomiting. Position on the back assumed, so as to relax abdominal parietes. Great restlessness; high fever; prostration; anxiety of countenance; obstinate constipation; delirium. Wiry and almost imperceptible pulse. Vomited matters highly offensive: sometimes stercoraceous.

**TREATMENT.** Perfect quiet in bed. Enemata of warm water, to empty lower part of intestines. Ice or cold water. Demulcent drinks. Broth; beef tea; farinaceous substances; milk. Opium and belladonna, 344. Aconite. Calomel. Hot linseed poultices. Fomentations. Application of belladonna and opium, 297. Turpentine stupes. Sinapisms. Blisters.—*Where there is a disposition to collapse*.—Ammonia and ether, 364. Brandy and egg mixture, with opium, 318. Brandy and ether, 367. *During convalescence*.—Ammonia and bark, 371. Cod liver oil. Steel and cocoa-nut oil, 391. Steel and glycerine, 392. Phosphate of iron, 405. Simple animal food; milk; raw eggs.

**ENTOZOA.**—From *ἔντος*, within; *ζῶον*, an animal. The parasitic animals which infest the human body are very numerous. Hel-



minthologists are well acquainted with upwards of thirty perfectly distinct forms. The following are those of importance.—

(1) *FASCIOLA HEPATICA*.—Synon. *Distoma hepaticum*; *Liver-fluke*.—Of the order Trematoda, or flukes. Common in all varieties of grazing cattle, producing the Rot. It has been found in the human gall-bladder, &c. Usually rather less than an inch in length, and rather more than half an inch in breadth: body flat, covered with minute spines, of an oval form, and capable of contraction like that of a leech: has an oral and a ventral sucker: androgynous, the orifices of the male and female organs being placed side by side near the ventral sucker: oviparous. Bile forms its nourishment.

(2) *DISTOMA LANCEOLATUM*.—Synon. *Fasciola lanceolata*.—This Trematode is smaller than the preceding, and less common. Body flat, smooth, and of a lanceolate form: androgynous: circular oral and ventral suckers. Most frequently found in liver of ox: only three cases recorded of its occurrence in human subject (Cobbold).

(3) *DISTOMA OPHTHALMOBIUM*.—Synon. *Distoma oculi-humani*.—Of the order Trematoda. Four specimens have been found in the eye of an infant with congenital cataract (Gescheidt). Body very minute, and of a lanceolate oval form: two circular suckers.

(4) *DISTOMA CRASSUM*.—Synon. *Distoma Buskii*.—Of the order Trematoda. Body varies in length from an inch and a half to three inches: about half an inch in breadth. In 1843, fourteen of these flukes were found in duodenum of a Lascar who died in the Dreadnought Hospital ship (Busk).

(5) *DISTOMA HETEROPHYES*.—A very small trematode helminth, scarcely one line in length. Found on two occasions in small intestines of boys (Bilharz).

(6) *DISTOMA HÆMATOBIUM*.—Synon. *Gynæcophorus hæmatobius*; *Thecosoma hæmatobium*; *Bilharzia hæmatobia*.—A cylindrical trematode worm, nearly half an inch in length. Males and females distinct: former the largest, and having on under surface of abdomen a longitudinal groove in which the slender female is lodged during copulation. Gives rise to hæmaturia,—intermittent hæmaturia of Egypt, the Cape, &c.; ova found in urine.—See *Hæmatozoa*.

(7) *TETRASTOMA RENALE*.—Has an oval flattened body, about five lines long, and provided with four suckers. Said to be found in the tubuli uriniferi. Very little known about it.

(8) *HEXATHYRIDIDIUM PINGUICOLA*.—Synon. *Linguatula pinguicola*; *Polystoma pinguicola*.—A flat trematode, about eight lines in length. Been found in a small tumour of ovary (Treutler).

(9) *HEXATHYRIDIDIUM VENARUM*.—Synon. *Polystoma venarum*; *Linguatula venarum*.—See *Hæmatozoa*.

(10) *TÆNIA SOLIUM*.—Synon. *Tænia communis*, &c.—A large cestode helminth, which in its sexually mature or strobile condition may measure from twenty to thirty feet in length: breadth, at widest part, nearly half an inch. Head small and flattened, provided with a projecting papilla, armed with a double circle of hooks, and with four suckers: the neck long and narrow, continued into imperfect segments (sexually immature), which gradually merge into distinct

segments (proglottides or sexually-mature joints). The generative apparatus consists of a ramified canal or ovarium containing the ova, and of a minute spermatic duct, both occupying the centre of each proglottis. Impregnation occurs by contact of one proglottis with another. The cysticercus cellulosaë, or pork measles, is the larva or scolex of this tapeworm.—See *Intestinal Worms*.

(11) *TÆNIA MEDIOCANELLATA*.—A cestode worm, attaining a greater length, and having larger segments than the preceding. Head furnished with large sucking-discs, but destitute of a rostellum and hook-apparatus. The “measles” or cysticerci which produce this helminth are found in the muscles of cattle. This hookless tapeworm is as common in this country as the *Tænia solium*, for which it is often mistaken (Cobbold).—See *Intestinal Worms*.

(12) *TÆNIA MARGINATA*.—Synon. *Tænia ex cysticercis tenuicollis*; *Tænia tenuicollis*; *Tænia globosa*.—Infests man only in the immature or cysticercal condition, the full-grown tapeworm (strobila) being found in dog and wolf (Cobbold). The larva (*Cysticercus tenuicollis*) only been found once or twice in human body.

(13) *TÆNIA ECHINOCOCCUS*.—A very small cestode helminth, infesting only the dog and wolf. Often met with in its larval condition in man, forming the well-known hydatids (echinococci, or acephalocysts). Hydatids are found in the following organs, enumerated according to their frequency:—Liver; subperitoneal areolar tissue; omentum; female breast; muscles of heart; brain; spleen; kidneys; lungs; bones, especially shaft of tibia.—See *Hepatic Tumours*.

(14) *BOTHRIOCEPHALUS LATUS*.—The largest cestode helminth ever met with in human subject; sometimes attaining a length of more than twenty-five feet, and a breadth of nearly an inch (Cobbold). This broad tapeworm is almost peculiar to the inhabitants of Switzerland, Russia, and Poland. Each joint or segment possesses its own ovary and male organs.

(15) *ASCARIS LUMBRICOIDES*.—Synon. *Lumbricus teres hominis*.—A nematode helminth, in size and appearance like the common earthworm only white instead of red. Males about six inches long; females, double this length.—See *Intestinal Worms*.

(16) *ASCARIS MYSTAX*.—A nematode worm, especially characterised by the presence of alaform appendages, one being placed on each side of the head. The male acquires a length of two inches and a half; female, twice as long. Very common in the cat. In a few instances it has been found in human intestine (Cobbold).

(17) *TRICOCEPHALUS DISPAR*.—Synon. *Trichuris*; *Ascaris tri-Chiura*.—The long thread-worm is a small nematode helminth, usually found in cæcum and large intestines. Male measuring about eighteen lines in length, female reaching two inches.—See *Intestinal Worms*.

(18) *TRICHINA SPIRALIS*.—See *Trichiniasis*.

(19) *FILARIA SANGUINIS HOMINIS*.—See *Hæmatozoa*.

(20) *STRONGYLUS BRONCHIALIS*.—Synon. *Filaria bronchialis*; *Filaria lymphatica*.—A nematode helminth; the male measuring

about seven lines, the female about an inch. Has been found in the human bronchial glands.

(21) *Eustrongylus Gigas*. Synon. *Strongylus gigas*; *Strongylus renalis*.—A nematode helminth; the male attaining a length of ten to twelve inches, and the female reaching to three feet. Not very uncommon in the kidneys and ovarian passages of animals, especially weasels. Rare in man. Gives rise to symptoms like those of renal abscess or renal calculi.

(22) *Sclerostoma Duodenale*.—A small nematode worm: the males measure one-third of an inch in length, the females being rather longer. Very common in Egypt, its presence in the small intestines of the natives giving rise to severe anæmia.

(23) *Oxyuris Vermicularis*.—Synon. *Ascaris vermicularis*.—This nematode helminth is the smallest of the intestinal worms. Male about three lines in length: female slightly longer.—See *Intestinal Worms*.

(24) *Dracunculus Medinensis*.—Synon. *Filaria Medinensis*; *Guinea-worm*.—See *Dracontiasis*.

(25) *Pentastoma Tænioides*.—One of the family of Acaridæ. No structural connection with true helminths. Adult body, lancet-shaped; flattened at ventral surface; marked transversely by some ninety rings; four feet or limbs; head, truncated; general surface smooth, but in larval condition (*Pentastoma denticulatum*) furnished with many rows of sharp spines. Length of female three to four inches; of male, eight to ten lines. Oviparous, with a subsequent metamorphosis. In sexual-mature state, infests nostrils and frontal sinuses of dog and wolf; in pupa and larva state found in human abdominal and thoracic cavities, though it has not been met with in this country. Does not give rise to any functional derangements (Cobbold).

(26) *Pentastoma Constrictum*.—About half an inch in length, and one line in breadth. Differs from larva of *Pentastoma tænioides* in not having spines. The cephalo-thorax has four foot claws: the elongated abdomen is marked with twenty-three rings. Has been found in the livers of negroes at Cairo (Cobbold).

(27) *Pseudelminths*.—The following so-called worms are not human parasites. They have probably been introduced into the excrements or into the viscera for the purpose of deception. They are, —*Dactylius aculeatus*; *Spiroptera hominis*; *Diplosoma crenatum*; *Gordius aquaticus*, or common hairworm of ditches, about a foot long, extremely slender, and which coils itself into knots (Cobbold).

**ENTROPION**.—From 'Εν, in; τρέω, to turn. Synon. *Inversio Palpebrarum*; *Blepharosis*.—An inversion of the margins of the eyelids. May result from a cicatrix in conjunctiva, neglected purulent ophthalmia, &c. Removal of the eyelashes will give at least temporary relief. Collodion to outside of lid: alum coagulum, 289.

**ENURESIS**.—From 'Ενυρῆν, to urine in bed. Synon. Hyper-

*uresis*; *Incontinence of Urine*.—May be associated with tendency to renal disease; disposition to gravel: excess of uric acid, urates, or oxalates in urine; stone in bladder; loss of tone, or tumours, of walls of bladder; irritation of threadworms in rectum; hæmorrhoids and prolapsus ani; long and contracted foreskin; stricture of urethra; enlarged prostate; vascular tumours of female urethra; ovarian or uterine diseases and displacements; paralysis from spinal disease; nervous debility; hysteria; dyspepsia, &c.

Enuresis very common in young children. Its occurrence favoured by free use of fluids during after part of day; by exposure to cold in night; by lying on back,—a posture unfavourable to retention of urine, especially when natural sensibility of mucous membrane of neck of bladder is increased.

Can usually be cured by making child almost abstain from fluids for three or four hours before going to bed: waking him to empty bladder twice or thrice during night: tying a cotton reel over spinal column, so that when he turns round upon his back he may be awoke: giving strength and tone to system, by administration of the tincture of perchloride of iron, phosphate of iron, cantharides and steel, benzoic acid, phosphate of zinc and belladonna, cod liver oil, &c. Belladonna, or chloral sometimes effectual. Circumcision will be required, if there be a long prepuce with a very small orifice. In inveterate cases, application of succession of small blisters over sacrum. Where bladder is very irritable, belladonna plaster over loins and sacrum: or friction with diluted belladonna liniment. Where walls of bladder are weak, nux vomica; ergot of rye: galvanism to lower part of abdomen and apine.

**EPILEPSY.**—From *Ἐπιλαμβάνω*, to attack unexpectedly. Synon. *Morbus Comitialis*; *Falling Sickness*.—A disease presenting these prominent symptoms:—Sudden loss of consciousness and sensibility, with tonic convulsions lasting a few seconds, and followed by clonic spasms of voluntary muscles. Cessation of fit succeeded by exhaustion and coma. Attack recurs at intervals.—Hereditary taint and marriages of consanguinity, are predisposing causes.

**WARNINGS.** Premonitory symptoms of an approaching seizure often not experienced. They differ in duration and character. Sometimes too short to allow sufferer to dismount from horseback, or remove away from fire, or lie down: sometimes many minutes or hours between their occurrence and fit. There may be change of temper or in spirits for some days, or occasional jerking of muscles. Spectral illusions, hallucinations of smell, headache, giddiness (epileptic vertigo), confusion of thought, sense of fear, and that peculiar sensation—the *aura epileptica*—constitute most frequently premonitory symptoms. Epileptic aura differently compared to a stream of cold water, a current of cold or warm air, sense of tingling, creeping of insects; the feeling beginning at extremity of a limb, or in epigastrium, &c., and gradually ascending along skin towards head. As soon as the aura stops, the paroxysm occurs.

**SYMPTOMS.** Cadaverous pallor of countenance, with utterance of a

shriek or scream ; immediately after which patient falls to the ground, and frequently on his face, senseless and violently convulsed. Severe burns, fractures, dislocations, &c., may be produced. Convulsive movements continue violent ; usually more marked on one side of body than on the other, or first on one side and then on the other. Distortion of face. Gnashing of teeth. Foaming at mouth ; protrusion of tongue, which is often severely bitten. Eyes partly open and suffused ; eyeballs rolling, and pupils insensible to light. Skin cold and clammy. Perhaps involuntary micturition and defæcation ; vomiting. Breathing laborious, seems about to be suspended ; when the limbs are stretched out, a deep sigh is drawn, and attack goes off. Patient left insensible and as in a sound sleep, with stertorous breathing ; from which he recovers with feeling of stupor and exhaustion and headache, but without any knowledge of what he has gone through. Some hours subsequently, small ecchymoses, like flea-bites, often to be detected about forehead, and throat and chest. Ecchymosis of conjunctiva sometimes produced.

Average duration of fit from two to three minutes. Occasionally said to last some hours : appearance of this due to rapid succession of seizures, without recovery of consciousness in intervals—the *status epilepticus*. Fit may be very slight (*petit mal*), or very severe (*grand* or *haut mal* of the French). Former often only consists of giddiness, confusion of mind, loss of consciousness, little or no convulsion, and stupor, and all is over in less than a minute. Seizures recur at very variable intervals ; often happen in the night, and for a time without being suspected by patient or friends. Repetition of attacks impairs memory : may produce cerebral hæmorrhage, temporary or permanent paralysis, or dementia and idiocy.

In *feigned* epilepsy, the impostor does not fall violently, but throws himself down deliberately in such a way as to avoid injury. Eyes are closed ; pupils contract to stimulus of light ; tongue is not bitten ; face is red instead of deadly pale, while skin is hot from necessary exertion ; neither urine nor fæces are voided. Proposing to apply actual cautery, or to shave the head, often effects a speedy cure. Blowing snuff up the nostril changes the fit into one of sneezing.

**TREATMENT.** *During fit* :—Patient to be laid on a large bed, or on floor. Air to be freely admitted around him. Head to be raised, and all tight parts of dress loosened. A piece of cork or soft wood to be introduced between teeth for protection of tongue. Cold affusion to head sometimes useful where countenance is turgid. Use of snuff, so as to induce sneezing. In *status epilepticus* inhalation of nitrite of amyl. Where fit is preceded by epileptic aura, application of ligature just above region from which sensation starts, may prevent attack.

*During interval* :—Improvement of general health necessary. Bromide of potassium in most cases diminishes the frequency and violence of the attacks ; sometimes curative ; may require to be continued for a long time, 42. Iodide of potassium when origin syphilitic. Belladonna, or atropia, 326. Hypodermic injection of atropine, 314. Quinine, 379, 386. Salts of iron, 380, 390, 394, 405.

Salts of zinc, 410, 413, 414. Formiate of ammonia, 363. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, 419. Cod liver oil. Henbane, hop, or Indian hemp, if there be sleeplessness. A full dose of tincture of henbane; or bicarbonate of potash, oz.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , immediately before expected fit. Nutritious diet; milk, raw eggs, animal food, wine or beer. Cold shower bath. Tepid salt water sponge bath. Chapman's ice bags to spine. Removal of stumps or decayed teeth; or of any other source of irritation, as worms, &c. Circumcision, especially in young boys.

*Remedies sometimes recommended*.—A long-continued course of corrosive sublimate. Iodide of potassium. Turpentine. Camphor. Valerian. Assafoetida. Opium. Digitalis, in large doses. Chloroform. Naphtha. Cajuput oil. Nitrate of silver. Ammonio-sulphate of copper. Sulphate of copper. Arsenic. Juice of cotyledon umbilicus. Expressed juice of galium album. Galvanism. Stramonium. Sumbul. Oxalate of cerium. Brucine. Strychnia in small tonic doses. Inhalation of oxygen; of chloroform; of ether; of nitrite of amyl. Tracheotomy. Caustics to larynx. Moxa, or actual cautery, to nape of neck, or to part whence aura starts. Setons or issues high up in neck. Repeated blisters over upper cervical vertebræ. Sleeping on a bed inclined at an angle of fifty degrees. Excision of clitoris. Extirpation of testicles.

**EPIPHORA.**—From *Ἐπιφύρο*, to convey to. Synon. *Lacrymatio*; *Weeping*.—A superabundant secretion of tears, so that they run over the cheek. Common in strumous children. May be due to foreign bodies. To be distinguished from *stillicidium lachrymarum* owing to closure of puncta lachrymalia, or to obstruction of nasal duct.

**EPIPHYTES.**—From *Ἐπὶ*, upon; *φυτὸν*, a plant. Synon. *Phytoparasites*.—Microscopic vegetable growths, belonging to the class *Fungi Cryptogamia*. They are found on the skin and mucous membranes, in the stomach, &c.

The chief vegetable parasites are:—(1) *Microsporon furfur*, found in *Tinea versicolor* or *chloasma*. (2) *Microsporon mentagrophites*, in *Tinea sycosis*. (3) *Tricophyton tonsurans*, in ringworm. (4) *Achorion Schönleini* in *Tinea favosa* or honeycomb ringworm. (5) *Microsporon Audouini*, in *Tinea decalvans*. (6) *Tricophyton sporuloides*, in *Plica Polonica*. (7) *Oidium albicans*, in aphthæ. (8) *Carcina ventriculi*, in some stomach diseases. (9) *Cryptococcus Cerevisiæ* or yeast plant, in the stomach. And (10) *Mycetoma* or *Chionyphe Carteri*, in Fungus Foot of India.—See *Tinea*; *Fungus Foot of India*.

**EPISTAXIS.**—From *Ἐπιστάξω*, to drop upon. Synon. *Hæmorrhagia Narium*; *Rhinorrhagia*; *Bleeding at the Nose*.—Bleeding from the nose is very common in early life, without doing any harm. But it frequently gives rise to anxiety when it occurs in advanced life. If there be tendency to apoplexy, or if patient be afflicted with heart-

disease, the loss will perhaps prove beneficial. This is not the case when the bleeding sets in during progress of disorders which injure quality of blood; as in renal and hepatic diseases, fever, scurvy, purpura, &c. Exhausting expistaxis may be immediate cause of death in hæmophilia or in leucocythæmia, when approaching a fatal termination.

**TREATMENT.** Patient to be seated upright. Collars and neckerchiefs to be removed. Holding one or both arms above the head. Cold to neck and back, or over nose and forehead. External compression of nostril with finger. Swabbing nostril with perchloride of iron. Snuffing of alum, powdered matico leaf, tannin, powdered gum. Spray of Richardson's styptic colloid. Injection of alum, or iron alum, or tincture of perchloride of iron in water. Plugging nostril with cotton wool saturated with an astringent. Styptic rods of tannin, 524. Plugging posterior nares by pledget of lint, &c., or by india rubber air bag.

Calomel. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Gallic acid, 103, 104. Ammonio-sulphate of iron, 116. Ergot of rye. Mineral acids with bark, 376. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101. Turpentine, 102. Digitalis. Mild laxatives, 142, 143. Nitric acid and taraxacum, 147. Nourish ing diet: potatoes: watercress: orange or lemon juice.

**EPITHELIAL CANCER.**—From 'Επλ, upon; and θηλή, the nipple. Synon. *Epithelioma*; *Cancroid of the Skin*.—Consists of an infiltration of dermoid and deeper structures and of glands by cells of epithelium, scaly if on skin, columnar if affecting some mucous membranes. Hence its synonyms. It is a form of cancer, inasmuch as it returns after excision, is prone to incurable ulceration, affects the lymphatics seated near it, and destroys the patient. Peculiar in being little liable to multiplication in internal organs, and in being apparently producible by local causes. See *Cancer*.

**EPIZOA.**—From 'Επλ, upon; and ζῶον, an animal. Synon. *Ecto parasites*.—Animal parasites which live upon, or in the structure of the skin.

The epizoa living on the skin are:—(1) The *Louse* or *Pediculus*. (2) *Common Flea*, or *Pulex irritans*. (3) *Chigoe* or *Jigger*, found in Guiana and Brazil. (4) *Ticks* or *Ixodes*, which particularly attach themselves to oxen, sheep, dogs, wolves, and occasionally to the human body. (5) *Argades*, which are allied to the ticks, and are met with in parts of Persia. (6) *Common Bed-Bug* or *Acanthia lectularia*. And (7) the *Harvest-Bug* or *Leptus autumnalis*.—See *Phthiriasis*.

The epizoa found in the skin are:—(1) The *Itch insect*, or *Acarus scabies*, or *Sarcoptes hominis*.—See *Scabies*. And (2) *Demodex folliculorum* (Owen), or *Acarus folliculorum* (Simon), or *Pimple mite*, which is chiefly found in the ducts of the sebaceous glands of the alæ of the nose.

**EQUINIA.**—From *Equus*, a horse. A severe inflammatory disease, due to inoculation with morbid fluids generated in the horse, ass, and mule.—See *Glanders*.

**ERUPTIVE FEVERS.**—Continued fevers, with an eruption super-added.—See *Small-pox*; *Cow-pox*; *Chicken-pox*; *Measles*; *Rubeola*; *Scarlet-fever*; *Plague*.

The principal diseases of this class have these common characters:—A variable amount of time elapses between reception of poison and setting in of symptoms, called the period of incubation; they are accompanied by fever, which runs a defined course; are attended by an eruption, which goes through a regular series of changes; for the most part affect the individual once, and once only, during life; and they arise from specific contagion. Of all eruptive fevers, scarlatina is probably that which most frequently occurs a second time.

The following table shows the period of incubation, together with date of eruption and time of its disappearance, in the three chief eruptive fevers:—

Disease.	Period of Incubation.	Eruption appears.	Eruption fades.
Measles .....	10 to 14 days	On 4th day, or after 72 hours of fever.	On 7th day of fever.
Scarlet fever .	1 to 6 days	On 2nd day, or after 24 hours of fever.	On 5th day of fever.*
Small-pox ...	12 days	{ On 3rd day, or after 48 hours of fever.	{ Scabs form on 9th or 10th day of fever, and fall off about 14th.

**ERYSIPELAS.**—From *ἔρῳ*, to draw; *πῆλας*, near,—expressive of the tendency of the disease to spread. According to German lexicographers, from *ἔρυθρός*, red; *πῆλος*, livid, livid redness. Synon. *Saint Anthony's Fire*; *the Rose*.—A diffused, spreading inflammatory affection of the skin, and very commonly of the subcutaneous areolar tissue. There are general phenomena of fever; while the affected part becomes of a deep red colour, hot, painful, and swollen.—It often arises spontaneously, but is also due to absorption of a specific poison. The miasm most readily generated by the assembling together, in one ward, of patients with unhealthy discharges or secretions. Epidemic, and contagious.

No portion of the surface exempt from attacks. Integuments of face and head most commonly the seats of *idiopathic* erysipelas—that which arises from internal causes; while *traumatic* erysipelas—that following wounds—commences at seat of injury. In *simple* erysipelas, inflammation superficial; in *phlegmonous* form, subcutaneous areolar tissue involved, and no surface redness, but great *swelling and tension*, with tallow-like appearance of skin.

**SYMPTOMS.** A period of incubation, varying from three to seven days. Then chilliness, rigors, sore throat, fever and constitutional disturbance, with burning pain and local signs of inflammation. The



part is red, swollen, and tense, and as the inflammation spreads, the margin is raised, defined, and serrated, whereas, when it has ceased to extend, the redness shades off gradually to healthy skin. Urine sometimes albuminous: chlorides diminished. Cerebral disturbance, delirium. Nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea. Swelling of the part: if of face, all traces of natural features quite lost.

Death may occur from extension of inflammation to brain or its membranes. Chink of glottis sometimes becomes closed from serous effusion. Failure of vital powers. Erysipelas occurring in cases of diabetes, or especially of renal disease with albuminuria, are almost always fatal. Mortality in England averages about 2,000 annually. Poison of erysipelas will give rise to puerperal fever in lying-in women.

**TREATMENT.** Confinement to bed in a well-ventilated room. Light diet. Cooling drinks. Begin with emetic, which sometimes seems to cut short the attack, or aperient.—Rhubarb and blue pill 171. Castor oil. Aloe, senna, and magnesia, 150. Compound rhubarb powder, 165. Then carbonate of ammonia, 361, 371. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 392. Chlorate of potash, 61. Quinine. Turpentine. Colchicum. Port wine. Ale or stout. Brandy. Brandy and egg mixture, 17.

**Locally:**—Fomentations. Poultices of linseed; of yeast; of hemlock. Water-dressing. Lotions of diluted solution of subacetate of lead with laudanum; of solution of permanganate of potash; of carbolic acid—ten grains to each ounce of water; or of sulphite of soda—ten grains to each ounce. Inunction with lard. Dusting with flour: finely-ground rice powder. Collodion. Boundary lines to be drawn on sound skin with nitrate of silver or tincture of iodine. Incisions to evacuate pus, or to relieve great tension.

**Infantile Erysipelas:**—Vigorous wet-nurse. Good milk. Beef tea. White wine whey. Wine and water. Bark.

**ERYTHEMA.**—From *ἔρῃθαι*, to redden or cause blushing. Synon. *Inflammatory Blush*; *Efflorescence Cutanée*.—A non-contagious affection of the skin. One of the *Eranthemata*. Characterized by slight superficial red patches, irregularly circumscribed, of variable form and extent. Most frequently seen on face, chest, and extremities.

**VARIETIES.** *Erythema fugax*, of a fleeting nature, and generally due to some derangement of alimentary canal. *Erythema intertrigo*, sometimes produced by friction between folds of skin, where secretions are not removed by washing. *Erythema pernio*, the technical name for that peculiar inflammation of skin constituting an unbroken chilblain. *Erythema circinatum*, in which the round red patches are slightly raised, and ring-shaped. Not of uncommon occurrence in acute rheumatism. *Erythema leve*, which is developed on lower extremities when they become anasarcous. *Erythema nodosum*, in which the eruption is mainly on fore part of leg, taking the form of one or more oval raised firm patches, resembling nodes. Most common in young chlorotic females.

**TREATMENT.** Effervescing citrate of magnesia. Compound rhubarb powder. Pill of aloes and myrrh. Colchicum. Quinine. Compound tincture of bark. Mineral acids. Steel wine. Ammonio-citrate of iron. Pill of carbonate of iron. Subacetate of lead lotions. Glycerine lotions. Veratria ointment, if there be pain. Warm water or vapour baths. Warm fomentations. Elevation of limb. Puncture of anasarcaous limb. Light diet. Cooling drinks,—lemonade.

**EUSTACHIAN TUBE DISEASES.**—This tube (first described by *Eustachius*), by which the tympanum communicates with the pharynx, is about two inches long. Composed partly of bone, partly of fibro-cartilaginous tissue. It affords an entrance for air into tympanum and an exit for mucus.

**1. Obstruction of Tube.**—Permanent obstruction produces exhaustion of air in tympanic cavity: consequently a pressure inwards of membrana tympani, a forcing together of chain of bones, pressure on contents of labyrinth, and deafness. Conditions giving rise to obstruction are:—Thickening of mucous membrane of faucial orifice, such as often coexists with chronic enlargement of tonsils; a collection of viscid mucus, or stricture of middle part of tube; and thickening of mucous membrane, stricture of bony walls, or deposit of fibrin at tympanic opening.

**SYMPTOMS.** The entrance of air into tympanum, during act of deglutition, can, in normal state, be distinctly heard by the Otoscope,—an elastic tube, eighteen inches long, having its ends tipped with ivory. One end being inserted into ear of patient, and the other into that of surgeon, the patient is directed to swallow saliva with mouth and nose closed. If tube be pervious, at the moment the patient has a sensation of fulness in ear, practitioner will detect a faint crackling sound, produced by slight movement of membrana tympani. Where mucous membrane of the tympanum is thickened, a gentle flapping sound will be heard instead of faint crackling. If the otoscope fail to reveal any sound during deglutition, if no sound be heard when a forcible attempt at expiration is made with mouth and nose tightly closed, and if no other cause can be found for dullness of hearing, then it may be presumed that the tube is obstructed (Toynbee).

**TREATMENT.** Attention to general health. Nourishing diet; warm clothing; exercise in open air; sea bathing. Cod liver oil, 389. Iodide of iron, 32. Iodide of potassium, and bark, 31. Corrosive sublimate, in bark, 27. If tonsils be enlarged, or faucial mucous membrane swollen, application of solid nitrate of silver: swabbing with tincture of iodine. Excision of tonsils. Introduction of Eustachian catheter. Puncture of membrana tympani in irremediable obstruction. Inflation by Politzer's instrument during the act of swallowing with mouth and nostrils closed.

**2. An Open Condition of Tube.**—The normal condition of this canal is that of closure by apposition of its walls. It acts like a valve, which is opened by muscles of palate and pharynx during deglutition. When permanently open,—complaint made of buzzing and other noises

in ear. Uneasiness about throat. Occurs during attacks of catarrh; in irritable conditions of throat. Cure results as cause subsides.

**EXOPHTHALMIC GOITRE.**—From 'Εξ, out; ὀφθαλμός, the eye. Protrusion of the eye-ball (proptosis oculi), accompanied with goitre. —See *Bronchocele*; *Graves' Disease*.

**EXOPHTHALMOS.**—From 'Εξ, out; ὀφθαλμός, the eye. Synon. *Procidentia Bulbi Oculi*; *Ophthalmocoele*; *Proptosis Oculi*; *Goggle-eyed*.—A protrusion of the eyeball, so that the lids cannot cover it. Met with in some forms of anæmia.—See *Graves' Disease*; *Anæmia*.

**EXPECTATION OF LIFE.**—By this term is meant,—the mean number of years which, at any given age, the members of a community, taken one with another, may expect to live. An easy rule has been established for determining the value:—The expectation of life is equal to two-thirds of the difference between the age of the individual and 80. Thus, a man is 20 years old; 60 is the difference between this age and 80; two-thirds of 60 are 40, and this is the sum of his Expectation. By the same rule, a man of 60 will have a lien on life for nearly 14 years; a child of 5 for 50 years (Willich). The results thus obtained correspond very closely with those to be deduced from Dr. Farr's English Life Table, which was constructed with great care from an immense mass of records.—See *Parr's Life Table for Males in Appendix to Registrar-General's 12th Annual Report*. For Females, 20th Annual Report.

**FALLOPIAN TUBE DROPSY.**—An uncommon affection. Fimbriated extremity of tube together with uterine orifice, get completely obliterated in consequence of chronic inflammation; the portion of canal between the openings becoming the seat of an accumulation of pus or serous fluid. As many as twenty-three pints of fluid have been found under these circumstances. Only one method of giving relief—puncture of cyst with a minute trocar and canula through roof of vagina.

**FARCINOMA OR FARCY.**—From *Farcio*, to stuff or cram.—A severe contagious disease; accompanied with a pustular eruption or small tumours (Farcy-buds), which soon suppurate, and malignant fever. Arises from inoculation with morbid matter generated in the horse, ass, or mule.—See *Glanders*.

**FATTY DEGENERATION.**—The designation of *fatty degeneration*, or *fatty metamorphosis*, is given to a certain class of cases which during life are marked by anæmia with great prostration; and which, after death, are found to be distinguished by the more or less perfect transformation into fat of various important textures, but especially of muscular fibres of the heart.

*There is no connection between the tendency to form fat around organs, or the production of obesity, and the change of tissue into*

fat. In former case there is a condition which may prove preservative, if confined within due limits. In latter, is to be recognized a process of decay and death, the result of some defect in nutritive functions.

Amongst the causes of this retrograde metamorphosis are old age, intemperance, inactivity, and cessation of function. Heart, lungs, brain, liver, kidneys, uterus and arteries may suffer from it. Atheroma of arterial walls is a form of fatty degeneration; and arcus senilis is caused by same change occurring in cornea. When important organs are involved, it may lead to gradual or sudden death; in latter case, owing to rupture of organs.—See *Cardiac Atrophy*; *Fatty Degeneration of Kidney*; *Hepatic Degeneration*.

**FEBRICULA.**—Dim. *Febris*, a fever. Synon. *Ephemeral Fever*.—a mild form of fever.—See *Simple Continued Fever*.

**FEVERS.**—From *Ferveo*, to burn. Synon. *Febris*; *Pyrexia*.—Fever may be described thus:—After a preliminary stage of languor, weakness, defective appetite, and some degree of chilliness or shivering, there is preternatural heat of body, acceleration of pulse, great muscular debility, increased waste of tissue, and disturbance of most of the functions. This morbid state accompanies many diseases as one of their phenomena—*symptomatic* fever; but under certain circumstances we meet with *idiopathic* fevers, which are probably independent of any local lesion.

A certain number of these form a well-defined group, having the following characters in common:—1. A definite cause and duration. 2. They have their origin in a poison introduced into the system from without, which poison (probably an organic germ) increases during the fever, and constitutes a contagium. 3. They are therefore contagious in various degrees. 4. They occur as a rule only once during life. 5. They have a characteristic cutaneous eruption.

They are usually subdivided into the *continued* and the *eruptive* fevers, but there is no marked distinction between them: They are as follows:—

#### I. Continued Fevers:

1. *Simple Fever*, or *Febricula*.
2. *Typhus Fever*.
3. *Typhoid*, *Enteric*, or *Pythogenic Fever*.
4. *Relapsing*, or *Famine Fever*.
5. *Yellow Fever*.

#### II. Eruptive Fevers.

1. *Small-pox*, or *Variola*.
2. *Cow-pox*, or *Vaccinia*.
3. *Chicken-pox*, or *Varicella*.
4. *Measles*, or *Morbilli*, and *Rubeola Notha*.
5. *Scarlet Fever*, or *Scarlatina*.
6. *Dengue*.
7. *Plague*.
8. *Syphilis* may be added.

The following groups are distinguished not only by a different type of fever, but by the fact that the poison is of vegetable origin, and is not reproduced in the system :—

III. Intermittent Fever, or Ague.

IV. Remittent Fever.

1. *Simple Remittent Fever.*

2. *Malignant Remittent Fever.*

For further information concerning any particular fever, reference must be made to the disease as it is arranged in alphabetical order.

**FISTULA IN ANO.**—From *Fistula*, a pipe or reed; *Anus*, the fundament.—A fistulous passage by side of rectum, the result of abscess.—Two forms of anal fistulæ :—(1) *Complete*, in which a probe can be introduced from external orifice upwards into the bowel. (2) *Blind external fistula*, where mucous coat of rectum is not perforated.

**SYMPTOMS.** External aperture, in either kind, often small and difficult to find: generally near the anus, but perhaps one or two inches distant; may be concealed in a furrow, or will be found in centre of a button-like eminence. Complete fistula most annoying: flatus, intestinal mucus, and fluid fæces pass along its track, causing irritation and painful spasmodic contractions of sphincter.—Fistula often coexists with phthisis: probably due to tubercular inflammation of portion of rectum, followed by ulceration and perforation.

**TREATMENT.** Exceptional cases may be cured by attention to general health; frequent bathing of part with tepid or cold water; and daily injection along sinus of iodine lotion, or sulphate of zinc lotion, &c., 264, 269. Generally it is necessary to divide the tissues which intervene between the external and internal opening, including fibres of sphincter ani; first clearing out the bowels with aperients, and afterwards insuring constipation for three or four days by the administration of opium. It has been recommended to effect division by elastic ligature, or by a ligature to be tightened daily until parts are cut through; but it is much better to use the knife, pushing it through the mucous membrane of the bowel if there be no internal opening. Operation not forbidden by presence of tubercles in lungs, unless the deposit be abundant or case otherwise far advanced.

**FLAT FOOT.**—Synon. *Spurious Valgus*; *Splay Foot*.—A sinking of the tarsal arch, from relaxation of the supporting ligaments. Walking is rendered awkward, slow, and somewhat painful. In confirmed cases, lameness and deformity. Occasionally associated with talipes valgus (see *Club foot*). May arise from constitutional debility with too much standing. Often to be remedied, in slight cases, by friction, bandaging, and improvement of general health. The sole of boot ought to be considerably thicker on inner than outer side. An apparatus to support ankle and invert foot.

**FLATULENCE.**—From *Flo*, to blow up. Synon. *Tympanites*; *Meteorism*; *Drum Belly*; *Wind Dropsy*.—An accumulation of gas

in the intestines occurs as an idiopathic disorder, or it may be symptomatic of some other affection. The gas is generally derived from the decomposition of imperfectly digested food; or it may perhaps be a secretion from the gastric or intestinal mucous membrane; or it will be merely air that has been swallowed. In the eructation or belching due to dyspepsia, the gas sometimes has the offensive odour of sulphuretted hydrogen.

(1) *Idiopathic form*.—The flatus usually most abundant a few hours after food; little or no derangement of general health. Nervous and hysterical women especially liable to it. Often produced by green vegetables, pea soup, tea, or any food which quickly undergoes fermentation.—*To be cured by*.—Avoidance of vegetables, soup, beer, tea. Creasote, 41. Vegetable charcoal, 98. Mineral acids with nuxvomica, 376. Quinine and nuxvomica, 387. Strychnia and steel, 408. Steel and pepsine, 394. Pepsine, 420. In tympanites from intestinal atony and weakness of abdominal muscles, electricity very useful.—*To give immediate relief when distress from flatulence is urgent*.—Carbonate of magnesia, opium, and ether, 62. Ether and tincture of castor, 85. Ammonia and chloroform, 86. Dill water. Caraway water. Assafoetida. Cinnamon. Spirit of nitrous ether. Cajuput oil. Spirit of nutmeg. Spirit of juniper. Compound tincture of cardamoms. Ammoniated tincture of valerian. Tincture of ginger. Hot brandy and water with spice. Peppermint lozenges. Castor oil and rue enema, 189. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. Turpentine stupes. Sinapisms. Linseed poultices.

(2) *Symptomatic flatulence*.—An accompaniment of indigestion; inflammatory disorders of stomach or bowels; intestinal obstruction; organic diseases of liver; peritonitis; typhoid fever; uterine or ovarian irritation; gout, &c.—*Remedies*.—Of a variable nature, according to the cause. Enemata of turpentine and rue, 189, 190. If quantity of air be excessive, its escape may be aided by passage of stomach-pump tube for several inches up rectum, or the inflated bowel may be aspirated by a fine needle passed through abdominal wall.

**FOREIGN BODIES IN AIR-PASSAGES.**—Foreign matters may pass into larynx, trachea, or bronchi of children,—very rarely of adults. They may enter air-passages from *within* the body:—Worms have passed upwards from stomach, by œsophagus, into larynx. Tubercular deposit, or pus, now and then, makes a way by the neck. Retro-pharyngeal abscess sometimes bursts into larynx or trachea. In attempting to repress vomiting, matters from the stomach have entered the larynx. Portions of necrosed bone occasionally work a passage into bronchi or trachea.—Those bodies which are accidentally introduced from *without* are often remarkable for their size, considering the smallness of the chink of glottis. The most common are portions of toys, seeds or beans, fruit stones, buttons, pins, coins, beads, marbles, pebbles, nails, fish bones, masses of meat, sugar plums, &c. Animal and vegetable substances imbibe moisture and swell; *sometimes they disintegrate and are expelled piecemeal. An ear of grass has been known to pass through chest-wall.*

**SYMPTOMS.** The entrance of a foreign solid body from without usually occurs during a sudden and strong inspiration; it at once causes violent spasmodic cough, dyspnoea, a sense of impending suffocation, perhaps immediate death. In a few minutes, symptoms lessen in severity; cough and dyspnoea return at intervals. If the body remain in *larynx*, there will be harassing and suffocative cough; loss of voice, or inability to speak above a whisper; probably pain in swallowing; tenderness; noisy hissing respiration, with more or less dyspnoea. If it descends into *trachea* it is seldom stationary; can sometimes be felt by application of hand externally to rise and fall; the change in position gives rise to severe spasmodic attacks of dyspnoea; sometimes a flapping or valve-like sound, owing to foreign body being forced against rima glottidis in expiration. The substance often passes on into one of the *bronchial tubes*,—most frequently the right, being directed to this by the bronchial septum. Auscultation and percussion will then show that air does not enter the obstructed lung at all, or only incompletely; diminution or loss of resonance and of respiratory murmur. The fear of bronchitis and pneumonia to be remembered.

When fluids enter the larynx they induce a sense of choking, with convulsive and suffocative cough, which usually suffices to expel them; if very abundant they may cause sudden death.

**TREATMENT.** If the body be at entrance of larynx, or between the vocal cords, it may perhaps be seen by laryngoscope and seized with polypus forceps. This failing, child should be placed with head downwards, and slapped smartly and quickly on the back. Emetics and sternutatories can be tried: they are generally useless.

When the body remains in larynx, laryngotomy should be performed as early as possible: when it has descended lower, and perhaps always in young children, trachea ought to be opened. The substance may be ejected through glottis, or through artificial opening, directly the latter is made: should this not take place, patient's body must be inverted, and a few smart taps made to dislodge the substance. Inversion rarely followed by bad consequences, because patient will breathe through artificial opening: hence the coin, bean, or whatever it may be, will not give rise to that severe spasm of the glottis on touching it which it would otherwise do. Perhaps this spasm of glottis might be overcome by inhalation of chloroform, without opening trachea. If tried, the surgeon should be prepared to perform tracheotomy immediately, in case of necessity.—Where extraneous body resists all efforts to remove it, the wound in the trachea should be kept open to favour expulsion subsequently. When operation is successful, incision should be immediately closed by strips of plaster or by sutures.

**FRAMBOESIA.**—From *Framboise*, a raspberry. Synon. *Anthraxia Rubula*; *Lepra Fungifera*; *Pian*; *Yaws*.—A tubercular skin disease, said to be common in Africa, parts of America, and West Indies. Without precursory symptoms, portions of skin about face, scalp, axillæ, or genital organs are found covered with small dusky-

red spots; which gradually become converted into larger tubercles, isolated at summits but collected together at bases, and resembling raspberries or mulberries in colour and form. Tubercles generally hard, covered with dry scales, sometimes inflamed. If inflammation spreads, ulceration sets in; a yellow sanious discharge resulting, which forms scabs. Disease continues for years, or even for life.

**GALACTORRHOEA.**—From Γάλα, milk; ρέω, to flow. Synon. *Galactopleurosis* *Superabundant Secretion of Milk.*—An excessive secretion of milk in nursing women. Owing to this excess, the milk continually oozes away; several pints may thus escape in course of twenty-four hours, keeping patient's clothing wet, and weakening her system. Hence result, anæmia; hysteria; dyspepsia; low spirits; and even phthisis or dropsy. Milk always found poor in quality, after a time.

**TREATMENT.** Infant to be weaned. Compression of breasts, by strapping with belladonna plaster. Belladonna, iodide of potassium, colchicum, camphor, &c., 427. Nourishing food. Removal of uterine or ovarian disease. Iodide of lead and belladonna pessaries, 423.

**GALL-STONES.**—Synon. *Chololithus*; *Biliary Calculi.*—More frequently formed in gall-bladder, than in substance of liver—in branches of hepatic duct. Solitary calculi when found in gall-bladder are globular or oval or pear-shaped; associated stones usually have numerous polished facets, the result of pressure and mutual attrition. Gall-stones formed in branches of hepatic duct are small, rough or tuberculated, and of a dark colour—like black pepper-corns. Gritty sand-like deposits (biliary gravel) are met with in excretory passages of liver; consisting of minute calculi, or of a powder made up of cholesterine and colochrome. Ingredients of gall-stones,—Cholesterine, principal ingredient; colochrome or colouring matter; earthy and alkaline salts—phosphate and carbonate of lime and magnesia; together with biliary and fatty acids.

**SYMPTOMS.** Depend on situations in which they are present. In branches of hepatic duct small calculi may give rise to dull pains about liver, perhaps shooting to shoulder; to symptoms of intermittent fever; gastric disturbance with nausea. As they usually only cause temporary obstruction to flow of small quantity of bile, there is no jaundice.

*Hepatic duct* rarely blocked up by a concretion. When it is, symptoms consist of intermittent pains; attacks of vomiting; jaundice; and enlargement of liver owing to escape of bile from all the ducts being prevented. Fatal rupture of duct has occurred.

*In gall-bladder* calculi may be present without producing morbid derangements. Rarely they set up catarrhal or plastic inflammation; with pains about epigastrium, right shoulder, and hip. Loss of appetite; indigestion; constipation. Ulceration and perforation have incurred.

*When calculi of any size leave the bladder and enter cystic duct, they cause well marked symptoms—hepatic or biliary or gall-stone*



*colic.* Excruciating pain. Great tenderness of right hypochondriac and epigastric regions. Nausea and vomiting. Constipation and flatulence. Perhaps rigors. Slow pulse. If stone recede into bladder, symptoms cease; if it remain impacted, dropsy of gall-bladder may result, and perhaps ulceration or gangrene of duct; if it be forced onwards into common duct, there is a sense of partial relief; though pain returns as duodenal orifice is reached. If common duct be long occluded, jaundice must ensue, as there is no outlet for the bile. Where obstruction is permanent, jaundice increases; liver progressively enlarges; gall-bladder gets much distended. Ultimately, death occurs; unless the stone be forced into bowel, or unless it induces adhesive inflammation and gets into intestines or through abdominal walls, after ulceration and perforation have taken place. In event of passing into intestines, care must be taken that it escapes per anum; otherwise it may form a nucleus for a concretion, and produce complete obstruction at the end of a few months.

**TREATMENT.** *Relief of biliary colic:*—Hot water, or vapour, or air bath. Fomentations with decoction of poppy heads and chamomile flowers. Linseed poultices. Poultices, with application of belladonna and opium, 297.—Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Opium and belladonna, 340, 344. Opiate enemata, 339. Inhalation of chloroform, or ether, or of a combination of both. Ice. Copious draughts of hot water containing bicarbonate of soda. Food to consist of fluids, chiefly milk.

*Expulsion of calculus and prevention of further formation:*—Castor oil. Seidlitz powders, 169. Phosphate of soda and aloes, 149. Sulphate and phosphate of soda, 148. Pill of colocynth and hyoscyamus. Carlsbad waters, Vichy, Ems, Eger. Regulation of diet. Bloodletting and emetics to be avoided. Mixtures of ether and turpentine to dissolve calculi, useless.

**GASTRALGIA.**—From *Γαστήρ*, the stomach; *ἄλγος*, pain. Synon. *Dyspepsodynia*; *Cardialgia*; *Heartburn*.—An unpleasant burning sensation in the stomach and gullet, coming on in paroxysms. A common symptom in indigestion.

**TREATMENT.** White bismuth, 65. Carbonate of magnesia, 62. Solution of potash, 69, 73. Bicarbonate of soda. Carbonate of ammonia. Saccharated solution of lime, 14. Lemon juice. Nitric acid. Dilute nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Hydrocyanic acid, 86, 377. Phosphoric acid. Ammonio-citrate of iron, 401, 403. Arsenic. Pepsine, 420.—See *Dyspepsia*.

**GASTRIC CANCER.**—From *Γαστήρ*, the stomach.—Generally primary. May be of scirrhus, medullary, or colloid variety. Most frequent seats,—pyloric aperture; cardiac orifice; space along lesser curvature. More common in men than women: rare before fortieth year. Few cases survive beyond two years from commencement of symptoms.

**SYMPTOMS.** Very variable: the most constant being emaciation. Pain in epigastrium, of a burning, lancinating, or gnawing character; increased by food and pressure. Retraction of abdominal wall. Eructations of fetid air. Nausea: frequent vomiting of ingesta and glairy mucus, of bloody sanious fluid, of dark grumous matter having an appearance of coffee-grounds. If disease of cardia, a pouch formed at lower end of œsophagus in which food accumulates, returning undigested, together with mucus. If disease of pylorus, food retained longer and more changed by gastric juice. Constipation. Debility. Emaciation, which becomes extreme. Occasionally gradual emaciation with little pain or vomiting. Pulsating tumour, when mass lies over aorta: or a firm painful tumour in some part of epigastric, umbilical, or hypochondriac region. Cancerous cachexia.—Perforation may occur, with escape of contents of stomach into peritoneum. Or perforation, with communication between stomach and outside of abdomen; between stomach and colon; between stomach and duodenum; or between stomach and pleural cavities, lungs, or pericardium; or with formation of abscess between stomach, liver, and diaphragm.

**TREATMENT.** Opium and belladonna, 344. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Opiate suppositories, 341. Iodoform, 338. Bismuth and soda, 65. Vegetable charcoal. Hydrochlorate of ammonia (gr. 15 every two hours), to relieve nausea and pain. Inhalation of small quantities of chloroform or ether, 313. Cod liver oil.—*Locally*: Wet compress. Belladonna and opium 297. Linseed poultices. Hemlock poultices. Fomentations. Ointment of aconitia, cautiously. Ointment of atropia.—*Diet*: Milk; cream; asses' milk. Raw eggs. Essence of beef, 3. Nutrient enemata, 21, 22, 23.

**GASTRIC ULCER.**—From *Γαστήρ*, the stomach. Synon. *Simple, Chronic, or Perforating Ulcer of Stomach*.—More frequent in women than men, and in poor than rich. Very rare before puberty. The ulcer is usually round or oval; seldom smaller than a fourpenny piece, or larger than a crown piece; sometimes with thickened edges, sometimes as if punched out of mucous membrane; and mostly seated on posterior surface, lesser curvature, or pyloric pouch.—May be fatal by hæmorrhage, perforation, or exhaustion.

**SYMPTOMS.** Liable to some variety. Pain in epigastrium, and over lower dorsal vertebræ: increased by food, especially by warm fluids and sugar. Tenderness over small spot in epigastrium. Violent aortic pulsations. Eructations of sour fluid: nausea and vomiting. Loss of flesh. Amenorrhœa in young women, particularly if there be hæmorrhage. In favourable cases pains diminish as ulcer gradually heals: complete recovery. When a large vessel eroded profuse hæmatemesis.

Where perforation happens, which may occur after a large meal, and sometimes especially in young women, with very slight antecedent symptoms:—Violent pain, spreading from epigastrium all over belly. Tympanites. Great anxiety. Rapidly increasing prostration. Painless collapse in a few hours; death. This is when

adhesions have not previously been formed. In chronic ulcer adhesions may prevent extravasation into the peritoneal cavity, and may lead to fistulous communications or to abscess.

**TREATMENT.** Extract of opium (gr. 1 every six or eight hours). Opium and belladonna, 344. Henbane and Indian hemp, 337. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Bismuth and soda, 65. Bismuth and kino, 112. Powder of kino and opium. Nitrate of silver. Oxide of silver. Oxalate of cerium. Bicarbonate of potash, ammonia, and aconite, 67. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Iodide of potassium. Citrate of ammonia and hydrocyanic acid, 362. Steel and ammonia, 401. Steel and citrate of potash, 403. Iron alum, 116. Castor oil. Simple enemata, 188.—*Locally*: Hot linseed poultices. Fomentations. Turpentine stupes. Sinapisms. Blisters. Ice in a bladder.—*Great care as regards diet*:—Only small quantities of food at a time. Gruel, or arrowroot, with milk. Saccharated solution of lime and milk, 14. Iced milk. Wenham lake ice. In severe cases, complete rest of stomach: nutrient enemata, 21, 23. Subsequently,—White fish. Light puddings. Poultry. Weak brandy and water. *Avoidance of*:—Sugar. Beer. Wine. Coffee. All indigestible foods.—Great caution during convalescence.

When severe *hæmatemesis* occurs, complete abstinence from food, nutrient enemata, ice to epigastrium.—See *Hæmatemesis*.

*If perforation*—opium freely to arrest all movements of stomach so as to limit extravasation of contents and permit of adhesion.

**GASTRITIS.**—From *Γαστήρ*, the stomach; terminal *-itis*.—Several important affections of the stomach, more or less closely connected with inflammation, are included under this head.

**1. Acute Gastritis.**—Synon. *Inflammatio Ventriculi*.—Acute inflammation of mucous membrane of stomach seldom or never arises idiopathically. A frequent result of poisoning by mineral acids, caustic alkalies, arsenic, &c. Sometimes produced by swallowing boiling water, excessive doses of antimony, or use of mustard emetics.

**SYMPTOMS.** In gastritis due to an irritant poison,—increasing burning pain in epigastrium, aggravated by pressure. Distressing nausea; violent retchings. Accelerated pulse and breathing. Great thirst: desire for cold drinks, which are vomited immediately. Constipation. Scanty and high-coloured urine. Extreme prostration sets in quickly. Commonly death from exhaustion.—In exceptional cases, early symptoms very slight. Disease may not be suspected until a few hours before death.

**TREATMENT.** Purgative enemata, 188. Nutrient enemata, 21, 22, 23. Free sucking of ice. Opium and belladonna, 344. Opiate suppositories, 340. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Linseed poultices. Poppy head fomentations. Mucilaginous drinks: iced milk.—*Avoidance of*:—Emetics. Stomach pump.

*During convalescence*:—Great care as to diet. Small quantities at

short intervals, of farinaceous substances and broths. Milk : cream. Raw eggs. Ice.

**2. Gastric Catarrh.**—Acute gastric catarrh, common in scarlet fever, giving rise to the vomiting usually attending its onset, met with also in other acute diseases. May be caused by irritating food, or by alcohol, or by exposure to cold.

**SYMPTOMS.** Epigastric pain, especially just after food, with tenderness. Nausea, vomiting of mucus and of bile; furred tongue; anorexia; severe headache; depression.

Catarrhal affections of stomach, when slight, usually spoken of as "bilious attacks."—*Symptoms* are those of indigestion: furred tongue, oppression at epigastrium, vomiting of bile, giddiness, "sick headache."—*Remedies* consist of rhubarb, ipecacuanha, mercury and chalk. Seidlitz powders. Meagre diet. Soda water. Ice.

Severe examples of gastric catarrh sometimes spoken of as "gastric fevers."—Chief *symptoms* are heat of skin; quick and full pulse; vomiting, with epigastric pain; scanty urine loaded with lithates. Superficial ulceration of mucous coat may result.—*Remedies* are rest, low diet, demulcent drinks, mild aperients, effervescing salines. An emetic of ipecacuanha at commencement. Hot fomentations. Poultices. Turpentine stupes.

**3. Chronic Gastritis. Chronic Gastric Catarrh.**—A comparatively mild disorder, unless of long duration. May produce thickening and induration of coats of stomach, narrowing of pylorus, or ulceration perhaps going on to perforation.

Chronic catarrh or mucous flux may succeed a bilious attack, or arise independently. Often coexists with chronic bronchitis, hooping-cough, phthisis, and pulmonary emphysema. There is congestion of capillary gastric vessels, with excessive secretion of glairy mucus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Anorexia. Tenderness at epigastrium and sternum. Pain and sickness after meals. Slowness of digestion. Gastrodynia. Pyrosis. Disordered bowels. Often a craving for food; only a small quantity can be taken without sense of oppression, vomiting, &c.—*Remedies* are such as restrain secretion of mucus and restore tone of stomach. Iron and nux vomica. Sulphite of soda, 48. Bismuth, 65, 112. Kino and logwood, 108. Iron alum, 116. Bichloride of mercury with bark or iron. Tannin lozenges. Aromatic sulphuric acid. Calomel (gr. 5), if there be constipation. Milk and saccharated solution of lime, 14. Arrowroot. Gruel. Bread and milk. White fish. Poultry. Sherry and water. Soda water.—See *Dyspepsia*.

**4. Induration of Pylorus.**—Synon. *Fibroid Infiltration of Pylorus*; *Plastic Linitis*; *Cirrhotic Inflammation*.—Consists of an abnormal development of fibrous tissue in sub-mucous areolar membrane about pyloric portion of stomach. As a consequence there is stricture, perhaps with dilatation of stomach and hypertrophy of muscular coat.

**SYMPTOMS.** Resemble those produced by cancer, save that they

extend over a longer space of time. Emaciation and progressive debility. Pyrosis. Sickness. Constipation. Mental depression. Appetite may be ravenous: a large meal causes great suffering, as food tries to pass through pylorus. Vomited matters may look like yeast, and contain *sarcinæ* or *torulæ*: often consist only of partially digested food. Indurated pylorus can be felt, like a tumour, through abdominal walls. Aortic pulsation. Disturbed sleep. Prostration. Death from inanition; though by strict attention to diet, life may often be prolonged for some years.

**TREATMENT.** Bichloride of mercury in small doses. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of ammonium. Hydrochlorate of ammonia. *Liquor calcii chloridi* (Phar. Dub.). Opium. Belladonna. Belladonna plaster. Wet compress. Cod liver oil. Liquid food,—milk, cream, raw eggs, soups, wine. Nutrient enemata. Warm clothing.

**5. Dilatation of Stomach.**—Generally due to some affection of pylorus causing contraction, so that food is impeded from passing into duodenum. Dilatation goes on slowly and steadily, until stomach comes to occupy a large portion of abdominal cavity. Occasionally acute or rapid without obvious cause.

**SYMPTOMS.** Stomach-cramp, heartburn, water-brash, flatulence, constipation, and sometimes attacks of vomiting. Appetite may be voracious. Usually periodical vomiting, ejected matters very large in quantity, intensely acid, often resemble yeast: microscopically examined, *Sarcinæ ventriculi* are found, and sometimes the yeast fungus—*Torulæ cerevisiæ*. These vegetable organisms probably result from long detention of food in stomach.

**TREATMENT.** Regulation of diet: unfermented or aerated bread. Food not to be too limited, where appetite is large. Formation of parasites to be checked by sulphite of soda, 48. Sulphite of potash. Hyposulphite of soda. Washing out stomach with Vichy water, or weak alkaline solution, by means of stomach pump or syphon tube.—For relief of other symptoms, see *Gastralgia*; *Gastrodynia*; *Pyrosis*; *Dyspepsia*.

**GASTRO-COLIC FISTULA.**—A communication between the stomach and colon takes place with greater frequency than between stomach and duodenum. More commonly due to cancerous than simple ulceration. Stomach and colon not always closely adherent: a cavity may intervene, as if a mass of cancer or tubercle had connected the two viscera, and been gradually hollowed out.—The *symptoms* are chiefly faecal vomiting, and expulsion of undigested food with the stools.

**GASTRO-CUTANEOUS FISTULA.**—A communication between the stomach and outside of abdomen. May result from suppuration in abdominal wall; from wounds; from long-continued pressure, voluntarily produced by hysterical women; or from simple or malignant perforating ulcer of stomach, this viscus first contracting adhesions with peritoneum. In either case it is almost impossible to close the

opening. A plug must be worn to prevent escape of contents of stomach.

**GASTRODYNIA**.—From *Γαστήρ*, the stomach; *ὀδύνη*, anguish or pain. Synon. *Spasmus Ventriculi*; *Stomachalgia*; *Cramp in the Stomach*.—Severe pain in the region of the stomach, often extending through to the angle of the left scapula. May occur in connection with organic disease of stomach, or from simple indigestion.

**TREATMENT**. Subnitrate of bismuth. Carbonate of bismuth. Solution of citrate of bismuth and ammonia. Bismuth lozenges. Mineral acids. Preparations of iron. Oxide of silver. Oxalate of cerium. Morphia. Hydrocyanic acid. Wood charcoal. Creasote. Arsenic. Quinine. Purified oxide of manganese—from 5 to 15 grains thrice daily on an empty stomach. Aloes. Blisters to epigastrium. Sinapisms. Belladonna, chloroform, and camphor liniments. Linseed poultices. Wet compress.—See *Dyspepsia*; *Pyrosis*.

**GENERAL PARESIS**.—From *Πάρεσις*, want of strength, from *παρῆμι*, to relax. Synon. *General or Progressive Paralysis of the Insane*.—See *Insanity*.

**GLANDERS**.—Synon. *Equinia*; *Farcinoma*; *Farcy*.—A malignant febrile and contagious disease; due to a specific poison received from a glandered horse, ass, or mule. There is high fever rapidly becoming adynæmic, with red dry tongue. Pustules form on the skin, which burst, and leave a spreading ulcer with offensive discharge. The mucous membrane of the nose and larynx is inflamed and ulcerated. The patient usually dies. Glanders and farcy are essentially identical, both having their origin in the same poison. But when the effects of the morbid agent are especially manifested in the nasal cavities, the disease is known as *glanders*; while, when the lymphatic system suffers, it is called *farcy*.

**TREATMENT**. *Prophylactic*.—Cauterization of inoculated tissue. Sulphite of soda or magnesia, 48.

*Curative*.—Sulphurous acid. Sulphite of soda or magnesia, 48. Iodide of potassium, grs. 10 to 15 thrice daily. Bark. Quinine. Arsenic. Strychnia. Carbonate of ammonia. Disinfectant washes to nostrils and ulcers. Creasote injections. Vapour baths. Stimulants. Nourishing food. Pure air. Abscesses to be opened.

**GLAUCOMA**.—From *Γλαυκός*, sky-blue.—A term formerly applied to opacity of the lens. Now used arbitrarily to denote a form of blindness attended with disorganization of the various tissues of the eyeball. The symptoms are the result of excessive intra-ocular pressure, this being due to an increase in quantity and firmness of the vitreous humour (Hulke). Glaucoma peculiar to middle life and old age: its occurrence sometimes foreshadowed by quickly increasing presbyopia.

**SYMPTOMS**. The disease may be *acute*; when the glaucomatous changes take place rapidly, and quickly end in loss of vision. Attack

perhaps commences suddenly during night, with severe throbbing pain in one eye and temple. Pain continues; on following morning, sclerotic found discoloured and congested. Iris becomes of a dusky hue, and motionless: cornea gets dim: pupil widely dilated, and sometimes of an irregular oval shape: eyeball felt to be unnaturally hard. Objects or lights surrounded by prismatic colours. Sometimes complaint made of bright flashes of light darting before the eye. Occasionally there is slight temporary improvement, though blindness subsequently results. Both eyes affected; disease usually commences in one a few days before the other.

In *chronic glaucoma*, same symptoms; but they come on insidiously, with much less pain. Morbid changes spread over many months. Their sequence seems to be as follows:—First, in retina and choroid; going on, perhaps, to serous effusion between these two coats, which causes a bulging forwards of lens and iris, by pressing from behind upon vitreous body. Then, congestion and inflammation of iris and cornea. Last of all, opacity of lens, as a consequence of its deranged nutrition (Dixon).

Ophthalmoscope usually shows extravasations of blood in retina and choroid; serous effusion between retina and choroid, retina appearing as if raised into folds; small clots in vitreous humour; and an excavation of optic nerve entrance, with pulsation of arteria centralis retinæ.

TREATMENT. Bleeding, blistering, and mercury have invariably done great harm. All that the physician can do is to improve the general health. Iridectomy should be performed without loss of time.

**GLOSSITIS.**—From *Γλῶσσα*, the tongue; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Lingue: Inflammation of the Tongue.*—See *Tongue Diseases*.

**GLUCOHÆMIA.**—From *Γλυκὺς*, sweet; *αἷμα*, blood. Sweet blood. See *Diabetes Mellitus*.

**GLUCOSURIA.**—From *Γλυκὺς*, sweet; *οὐρὸν*, the urine. Sweet urine.—See *Diabetes Mellitus*.

**GOITRE.**—Perhaps from *Guttur*, the throat.—See *Bronchocele*.

**GONORRHŒA.**—From *Γονή*, semen; *ῥέω*, to flow. Inaccurately used to signify an inflammation, more or less acute, of one or more portions of the genito-urinary passages, accompanied with a mucopurulent discharge. Synon. *The Clap*.

1. **Gonorrhœa in Male.**—Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the urethra,—generally of the anterior portion. It is attended with the flow of a contagious purulent or muco-purulent fluid.

SYMPTOMS. About third day from exposure to contagion, heat and itching of glans penis. Fulness and redness of urethral orifice. Milky purulent discharge, which becomes muco-purulent. Scalding. Pain

in groins, irritability of bladder, weight and dragging pain about testicles.

*Complications*:—Painful erections or chordee. Balanitis. Hæmorrhage from urethra. Retention of urine. Abscess. Prostatitis. Cystitis. Orchitis. Gonorrhœal ophthalmia. Gonorrhœal rheumatism.

*TREATMENT*. Balsam of copaiba and cubeb pepper; usually inefficient, nauseous, apt to derange stomach and to produce skin eruptions. May be given in gelatine capsules. Mercury, turpentine, creasote, nitrate of potash, ergot of rye, &c., worse than useless. Oil of yellow sandal wood (*Sirium myrtifolium*) and Gurjun balsam or wood-oil (product of the *Dipterocarpus turbinatus*) have been recommended.

*Abortive treatment*:—In early stage always very dangerous. It consists of injections of nitrate of silver (grs. 5—10 to the fl. oz.), active purgatives, perfect rest, abstinence from stimulating food and drinks, and hot bathing; followed by mild injections of subacetate of lead, and gentle aperients.

*In ordinary cases*:—Mild aperients. Moderate rest. Diet free from salt meats, pastry, cheese, coffee, wine, beer, and spirits. Injections—from 1 to 3 grs. to the fl. oz.—of alum, acetate of lead, sulphate of zinc, chloride of zinc, acetate of zinc, nitrate of silver, sulphate of copper, or sulphate of iron; glycerine of tannin or carbolic acid. Testicles to be supported by a suspensory bandage.

Astringent sticks or suppositories, made with cocoa butter and alum, or sulphate of zinc or tannic acid, so as to be introduced into urethra. Strips of lint or linen, moistened with an astringent solution, passed down urethra for two inches. Cauterization of urethra with nitrate of silver. Copaiba mixed with urine as an injection? Copaiba enemata and suppositories?

*For relief of scalding*:—Warm baths. Liquor potassæ in camphor water. Opium. Drinking freely of tea with milk, or of plain water. Demulcent drinks useless, except as vehicles for water.

*For relief of chordee*:—Camphor (grs. 5) and belladonna (gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) in a pill at bed-time. Spirit of camphor in drachm doses. Sleeping on a mattress, without much covering; towel with a knot over spine, or a cotton reel, to prevent lying on the back.

*For retention of urine*:—Warm bath and opiate suppository, before resorting to catheter.

*For hæmorrhage from urethra*:—Application of ice. Pressure by introduction of a large bougie. Pressure externally by pad and bandage.

**2. Chronic Gonorrhœa or Gleet.**—Transparent mucons discharge. No scalding nor pain. Frequent calls to pass urine, when the prostate or the neck of the bladder is irritable. Pain in perineum.

*TREATMENT*. Temperate mode of living. Attention to digestive organs. If there be an organic or permanent stricture, employ dilatation, forcible rupture, or incision.

Where patches of the urethra are contracted and over-sensitive, use



bougies smeared with some astringent ointment. Solid nitrate of silver, by means of Lallemand's porte-caustique. Astringent injections. Suspensory bandage for testicles.

If there be irritation about prostate or neck of bladder, avoid bougies and injections. Employ hot baths, warm bathing of penis and perineum, opiate suppositories, and application of extract of belladonna to perineum. Infusions of uva ursi, pareira, or buchu. Iodide of potassium, 31. Painting under-surface of urethra and perineum with tincture of iodine. Application of a blister to penis for one or two hours.

Where there is constitutional debility,—Phosphoric acid and bark, 376. Gallic acid, 103. Iron alum, 116. Steel and cantharides, 400. Nux vomica. Cod liver oil. Sea bathing. Nourishing diet.

**3. Gonorrhœa in Female.**—Consists of acute or chronic inflammation of urethra, vulva, vagina, or canal of cervix uteri. Not to be distinguished from inflammations due to other causes than impure sexual intercourse.

**TREATMENT.** Hot hip baths. Vaginal injections of warm water. Mild aperients. Rest. Low diet. Astringent injections, 425. Medicated pessaries, 423. Solid nitrate of silver.

**GOUT.**—From the Fr. *Goutte*, a drop; because it was thought to be produced by a humour which fell *goutte à goutte* into the joints.—May be defined as a constitutional disease giving rise to inflammation of specific character usually affecting the smaller joints. There is very great tendency to hereditary transmission of this disease. It is accompanied by great pain and swelling of the affected joint, fever with general disturbance, and especially by some disorder of the digestive organs. The disease has a tendency to recur again and again, after variable intervals.

**Causes.**—Over-indulgence in nitrogenized food and malt liquors or strong wines; lead poisoning, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** The acute attack may be preceded by warnings,—heartburn, flatulence, dull pain in left side of chest, irregularity of heart's action, dry skin, urticaria, and urine loaded with urates. It may come on suddenly in the night, with,—acute pain in great toe, heel, or instep; a rigor followed by heat, tenderness and swelling of affected part; fever, irritability, and restlessness; constipation with furred tongue; and urine loaded with urates, phosphates, or containing albumen. The attack passes off; an interval elapses, of length proportionate to the care taken; and then another attack follows. In chronic gout, tophi or chalk-stones form round the joints, consisting chiefly of urate of soda; small deposits on auricle of ear.

**Complications:**—In retrocedent gout metastasis occurs from the joint to some internal organ,—to the stomach, heart, membranes of the brain. Often caused by application of cold to gouty limb.

Gouty diathesis without local manifestations, causing neuralgia, dyspepsia, palpitation, syncope, congestion of liver, urticaria, piles, pains about the head, toothache, tonsillitis, &c.

The diathesis or chronic form of the disease also a common cause of disease of the kidneys, arteries, and heart, and indirectly of apoplexy.

**TREATMENT.** *Acute stage*.—Bleeding to four or six ounces, where the constitution is sound, to relieve overloaded heart and congested vessels. Saline aperients, sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Mild laxatives containing aloes, senna, rhubarb, jalap, &c. 144, 145, 146, 148, 149, 151. Calomel, colchicum, aloes, and ipecacuanha pill, 46. Acetate, citrate, or bicarbonate of potash. Salts of lithia. Emetics. Opium. Hot air or vapour bath. Colchicum,—in Vichy water, or with sedatives and alkalies, or iodide of potassium, 31, 46, 212, 351, 352. Hellebore and colchicum, 163. Carbonate of ammonia. Liquor potassæ. Liquor sodæ. Sulphur.—*Locally*.—Cotton wool and oiled silk. Anodyne lotions, 265, 281, 297. One or two leeches. Poultices, with extract of belladonna or opium. Ointment of veratria. Small blisters in chronic cases.—*Diet*.—Milk. Arrowroot. Tapioca. Tea. Diluents. Soda water. Vichy water. Avoid animal food too soon.

*Chronic stage*.—Maintain proper action of bowels and skin. Colchicum. Alkalies. Iodide of potassium. Taraxacum. Guaiacum. Extract of the physalis alkekengi. Quassia. Calumba. Bark. Mild ferruginous tonics, 394, 402, 403. Arsenic, with colchicum or iodide of potassium or steel, 52, 399. Phosphate of soda. Avoid opening chalk-stones. Friction with liniments of iodide of potassium or iodide of ammonium, 280. Regulate diet.—Animal food in small quantity; white fish; milk and eggs. Avoidance of malt liquors, port, and sherry; sugar to be used sparingly.

*In irregular or misplaced attacks*.—Salines and colchicum. Ether. Ammonia. Chloroform. Brandy. Mustard pediluvia. Warmth to the joints. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes.

*To prevent repetition of attack*.—Well regulated diet. Food from which healthy chyle can be extracted. Claret. Hock. Hungarian wines (Ofner or Carlowitz). Brandy and water. Soda water. Vichy water. Lithia water. Infusion of leaves of common ash. Mild aperients. Carbonate or citrate of lithia, 64. Moderate mental and bodily exertion. Avoidance of too great sexual indulgence. Hot air or water baths. A visit to Bath, Buxton, Cheltenham, Harrogate, or Leamington; Wiesbaden, Vichy, Carlsbad, Aix-la-Chapelle, Fachingen, Kissingen, Geilnau.

**GRAVEDO.**—From *Gravis*, heavy. Catarrhal inflammation of membrane lining frontal sinuses.

**SYMPTOMS.** Usual phenomenon of severe catarrh with great pain in brow.—See *Catarrh*.

**GRAVES' DISEASE.**—Synon. *Exophthalmic Goitre*; *Basedow's Disease*.—This name has been given to a singular combination of three symptoms,—palpitation, protrusion of eyeballs, and enlargement of thyroid gland. More common in females than males: there is often some obscure connection between it and disturbance of the uterine functions. Generally believed that a neurosis of the cervical symp-

thetic nerve is the cause of the affection. The cases run a chronic course. The remedies to be resorted to will depend on the condition of the system;—i.e., whether there is any syphilitic taint, or tuberculosis, or simply a state of anæmia. Rest is essential. Belladonna. Digitalis. Arsenic. Phosphorus. Iron. Zinc. Galvanization of sympathetic in neck.

**HÆMATEMESIS.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *ἐμέω*, to vomit. Synon. *Gastrorrhagia*; *Hæmorrhœa Ventriculi*; *Vomiting of Blood*.—Hæmorrhage from the stomach may be either acute or chronic: latter most dangerous, as indicative of some disease of abdominal viscera.

**CAUSES.** Simple or malignant ulcer: cirrhosis of liver: very rarely aneurism of one of the branches of abdominal aorta: vicarious menstruation: scurvy.

**SYMPTOMS.** Blood vomited in considerable quantities. Blood not frothy: of a dark colour, often in clots. Blood mixed with food. *Mælæna* very common. Gastric or duodenal symptoms.

**TREATMENT.** *In acute form*:—Entire abstinence from food for 24 or 48 hours or longer, then milk or milk and lime-water to be given in spoonfuls and increased gradually. If necessary, enemata of beef tea and brandy, 21, 23. Perfect rest in horizontal posture. Cold to the epigastrium, 118. Ice or cold acidulous drinks. Gallic acid, 103. Turpentine, 102. Sulphuric acid and opium, 100. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101. Lead and acetic acid 117. Alum and sulphuric acid, 116. Ergot of rye. *Ipecacuanha*.

*In chronic form*:—Mineral acids with bark, 376. Quinine and iron, 380. Ammonio-sulphate of iron, 116. Cream; raw eggs; essence of beef. Cod liver oil.—See *Hæmoptysis*.

**HÆMATOCELE.**—Effusion of blood into cavity of *tunica vaginalis testis*. May arise from injury, straining, rupture of varicose veins of cord.

**SYMPTOMS.** Swelling coming on rapidly, pain and weight. Tumour pyriform, soft or hard, not transparent; hiding testicle.

**TREATMENT.** Rest. Cold lotions. Suspensory bandage. Sometimes it is necessary to make an incision and let out the extravasated blood.

**HÆMATOCELE, Pelvic or Retro-Uterine.**—See *Pelvic Hæmatocele*.

**HÆMATOID CANCER.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; terminal *-ides*. Synon. *Fungus Hæmatodes*.—This disease is probably a soft medullary or other cancer, the substance of which has become more or less infiltrated with blood. When it protrudes through the skin it forms a large vascular mass, somewhat resembling a clot of blood.—See *Cancer*.

**HÆMATOMA AURIS.**—From *Αἷμα*, to convert into blood. *Auris*, the ear.—A sanguineous tumour about outer surface of auricle

of ear. Often symmetrical. Especially affects insane. The explanation of its occurrence is :—(1) The state of the circulation, nutrition, and development of tissues which make up the ear-lobule, and cover the helix, very commonly coincide with similar conditions of the encephalic tissues. (2) Development of cartilages of external ear, and their several parts, is in relation with encephalic and cranial development of individual (Laycock).—See *Insanity*.

**HÆMATOZOA.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *ζῶον*, an animal.—The following entozoa have been found in human blood :—

(1) *FILARIA SANGUINIS HOMINIS*.—A worm of microscopic dimensions, discovered by Dr. Lewis in the blood of sufferers from chyluria. It is the embryo of the nematoid worm which has been found in the lymphatic vessels of the scrotum and other parts. The filariæ are present in enormous numbers at one part of the day; absent at another. They do not develop into the mature nematoid in the blood, but apparently the mosquito serves as an intermediate host. *Treatment* : none effectual.

(2) *DISTOMA HÆMATOBIUM*.—An entozoon with a flat elongated body and a cylindrical tail; inhabits the vena portæ, and the veins of the mesentery, liver, bladder, and intestines. It is very common in Egypt, and especially infests the bodies of those who drink the unfiltered waters of the Nile, &c. It is probably the cause of a peculiar form of hæmaturia somewhat prevalent in Egypt, Southern Africa and in the Mauritius.—Chief remedies :—Calomel. Turpentine. The efficacy of either very doubtful.

(3) *HEXATHYRIDIIUM VENARUM*.—About three lines in length. Has been found in venous blood, and in sputa of patients with hæmoptysis.

(4) *FASCIOLA HEPATICA*.—Has been discovered in the vena portæ. This fluke and the *Distoma lanceolatum* are often found in the gall-ducts and bladder of the sheep, producing the Distemper or Rot.—See *Entozoa*.

**HÆMATINURIA.**—See *Paroxysmal Hæmaturia*.

**HÆMATURIA.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *οὔρον*, urine. Synon. *Hæmuresis*; *Sanguis in Urina*; *Bloody Urine*.—Hæmorrhage from the mucous membrane of the urinary passages,—the kidneys, bladder, or urethra.

**SYMPTOMS.** Urine smoky, or of a black hue, or of a port wine tint. Albumen present. When from kidney, the blood equally diffused through the urine. Casts of ureters may be present. When from bladder or urethra blood comes away after passing clear urine. Blood casts of renal-tubes? Cancer cells? Renal calculi?

Urine not unfrequently found to be bloody during the fit in ague.

*Paroxysmal hæmaturia* is induced by exposure to cold in certain predisposed constitutions. Patient is chilly, shivers, and passes urine *more or less loaded with blood*; in a few hours the urine becomes *healthy*. No blood-corpuscles are found, they are disintegrated;

whence the disease has been called *paroxysmal hæmatolysis*, or *hæmatinuria*. Oxalate of lime crystals often present. The subjects of this affection are pale, weary, and incapable of exertion in cold weather.

*Endemic hæmaturia* of Egypt, Southern Africa, and Mauritius due to the *Distoma hæmatobium*.—See *Hæmatozoa*.

**TREATMENT.** *In malignant disease or calculus*:—Gallic acid, 103. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101. Sulphuric acid and opium, 100. Infusion of matico. Ruspini's styptic. Turpentine. Creasote. Krameria. Ergot of rye. Opium. Rest in recumbent posture. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes. Application of ice to loins.

*In renal disease or some morbid poison in the blood*:—Hot air baths. Warm water baths. Compound jalap powder. Ferruginous tonics,—especially tincture of perchloride of iron, and iron alum. Quinine.

*From disease of urethra*:—Application of ice. Use of a large bougie for some hours.

*Vesical hæmorrhage*:—Injections of alum or tannin, grs. 30 to water fl. oz. x. Ice to pubes. Ammonio-sulphate of iron, 116.

For *paroxysmal hæmaturia* change to a warm climate is desirable. Quinine. Arsenic. Phosphorus. Iron.

**HÆMOGASTRIC FEVER.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *γαστήρ*, the stomach. Synon. *Febris Flava*; *Pestilential Hæmagastrica*; *Pestis Intertropica*; *Typhus Icterodes*; *Synochus Icterodes*; *Malignant Pestilential Fever*.—See *Yellow Fever*.

**HÆMOPHILIA.**—Synon. *Hæmorrhagic Diathesis*—which see.

**HÆMOPTYSIS.**—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *πύω*, to spit. Synon. *Emoptoe*; *Sputum Sanguinis*; *Hæmorrhagia Pulmonis*; *Pneumorrhagia*.—The escape of blood through the mouth—from larynx, trachea, bronchial tubes, or air-cells of lungs. Of little consequence comparatively when due to some accidental and transitory cause. An important indication of bronchial, pulmonary, cardiac, or aortic disease, when of frequent recurrence, at variable intervals.

**SYMPTOMS.** Blood coughed up in mouthfuls. Blood frothy, and of a florid red colour. Blood mingled with sputa.

Distinctions between hæmoptysis and hæmatemesis;—

In hæmoptysis:—	In hæmatemesis:—
Dyspnœa; pain or heat in chest.	Nausea; epigastric tenderness.
Blood coughed up in mouthfuls.	Blood vomited profusely.
Blood frothy.	Blood not frothy.
Blood of a florid red colour.	Blood dark coloured.
Blood mingled with sputa.	Blood mixed with food.
Absence of melæna.	Melæna very common.
Bronchial or pulmonary symptoms.	Gastric or duodenal symptoms.

Hæmoptysis is specially common in phthisis, and may occur in the early stage from congestion, in the later stages from rupture of a

blood-vessel into a cavity. In pulmonary apoplexy secondary to heart disease, the blood darker and less copious. When due to aneurism of arch of aorta pressing upon and opening into trachea usually fatal at once, but may cease for a time and recur.

**TREATMENT.** Strict mental and bodily repose. Rest in bed. Head and shoulders to be elevated. Unstimulating diet. Ice and cold drinks. Blisters. Turpentine stupes. Sinapisms. Dry cupping. Ice to chest.

When due to congestion, saline aperients. Gallic acid, 103. Mineral acids, 99, 100, 115. Digitalis. Ergot. In later stages, astringents. Sulphate of magnesia, sulphate of iron, and sulphuric acid. Acetic acid. Ammonio-sulphate of iron, 116. Acetate of lead and opium, 117. Creasote. Common salt? Ergot of rye. Turpentine, 102. Alum. Infusion of matico. Hydrocyanic acid. Morphia. Emetics of ipecacuan. Antimony? Leeches? Venesection? A ligature round the limbs. Inhalation of atomized fluids, medicated with tannic acid, alum, perchloride of iron, or turpentine, 262.

**HÆMORRHAGE.**—Synon. *Sanguifluxus*; *Hæmorrhœa*; *Loss of Blood*; *Rupture of a Bloodvessel*.—The escape of blood from the vessels in which it is naturally contained constitutes hæmorrhage (*hæmorrhagia*, from *Alma*, blood; *ῥήγνυμι*, to break out).

**VARIETIES.** The chief subdivisions are these:—(1) *Traumatic* when a vessel has been directly divided, and *spontaneous* when the bleeding has resulted from some constitutional cause. (2) *Symptomatic* when clearly a result of some disease, as tubercle, cancer, &c. *Idiopathic* or *essential*, when no such connexion has been perceptible. Or, (3) *active* hæmorrhage when congestion or inflammation has preceded the flow, and *passive* when there have previously existed signs of debility, with poverty of blood. Moreover, hæmorrhages have been termed *constitutional* when they occur at intervals, and seem to be of service to general health, as in the bleeding from piles in plethoric people; *vicarious* when supplemental of some other hæmorrhage, as where a woman has periodical bleeding from nose in place of usual catamenial discharge; and sometimes spoken of as *critical* when they occur during progress of some disease, and produce marked good or bad effects.

The *seat* of the hæmorrhage is likely to vary with the patient's age. Bleeding from the nose is most common in youth; from the lungs and bronchi, stomach, urinary passages, and uterus in adults; and from the cerebral vessels and rectum in old age.

**TREATMENT.** Cool apartment. Repose. Freedom from excitement. Simple and unstimulating diet. Position such as to prevent afflux of blood to bleeding organ. Application of cold. Turpentine stupes. Blisters. Ligatures.

Ice. Gallic acid. Tannin. Mineral acids. Ammonio-sulphate of iron. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Creasote. Ipecacuanha. Acetate of lead. Ruspini's styptic. Oil of turpentine. Nitrate of silver. Oxide of silver. Alum. Kino. Matico. Rhatany. Corrosive sublimate. Calomel. Ergot of rye. Opium. Venesection.

*Digitalis*. *Aperients*. *Transfusion*.—See *Apoplexy*; *Epistaxis*; *Hæmatemesis*; *Hæmaturia*; *Hæmoptysis*; *Menorrhagia*; *Metæna*; *Otorrhagia*; *Stomatorrhagia*.

**HÆMORRHAGIC DIATHESIS**.—Synon. *Hæmophilia*. Usually congenital, and markedly hereditary, usually transmitted by females and manifested by males of a family, or may perhaps be induced by insufficient food. Perhaps sometimes connected with diseased spleen. Due to absence of coagulable constituent of blood.

**SYMPTOMS**. Ecchymoses. Dropsy. Painful swellings round joints. Bleeding from umbilicus a few days after birth; from nose or gums in youth; from urinary passages or rectum in after-life. There may be fatal loss of blood by epistaxis or after leech bite, extraction of a tooth, rupture of hymen, &c.

**TREATMENT**. Avoidance of surgical operations. Caution after accidents. Nourishing food.—See *Hæmorrhage*.

**HÆMORRHOIDS**.—From *Αἷμα*, blood; *ῥέω*, to flow. Synon. *Proctalgia hæmorrhoidalis*; *Piles*.—Small tumours situated within or at verge of anus. Two varieties;—(1) *External*, or those outside sphincter muscle. (2) *Internal*, or such as are within sphincter. Often, the two kinds co-exist.

**1. External Hæmorrhoids**.—Consist either of a knot of varicose veins, or of one or more cutaneous excrescences. In first case, the veins may contain fluid blood; more frequently their contents have coagulated, forming one or several tense and purple swellings. The excrescences consist chiefly of hypertrophied skin and areolar tissue.

**SYMPTOMS**. When indolent, only troublesome from their bulk. If they become congested or inflamed considerable pain arises; with heat and throbbing, tenesmus, backache, irritability of bladder, perhaps retention of urine, and uterine irritation in women.

**TREATMENT**. Daily action of bowels to be procured. Sometimes better at bedtime than in the morning. Confection of pepper. Confection of senna. Confection of sulphur. Compound electuaries, 194. Simple enemata, 188. Sulphur and magnesia, 153. Pepsine and extract of aloes, 155. Glycerine one or two teaspoonfuls three times a day. Castor oil. Mercury and chalk. Taraxacum. Pullna water. Anus to be sponged with cold water after every stool. Sponging parts round anus, when relaxed, with lotions of alum or tannic acid. Ointment of galls. Ointment of galls and opium.—Plain nourishing food; free from highly seasoned dishes, coffee, and alcoholic stimulants. Hot bathing and poultices where there is inflammation. Incision with evacuation of contained clot, when tumour is swollen and tender. Excision of growths with curved scissors.

**2. Internal Hæmorrhoids**.—May be simple or multiple. Of three kinds:—(1) Spongy vascular growths, having a red granular appearance, and soft elastic texture like that of erectile tissue. (2) Made up of lower branches of the plexus of hæmorrhoidal veins. Branches dilated; often plugged with coagula. (3) Pendulous tumours, composed of fibro-areolar tissue.

**SYMPTOMS.** The piles only protrude during defæcation at first. Afterwards, as sphincter gets dilated by their pressure, and relaxed by attacks of hæmorrhage, they are constantly down save when patient is in recumbent posture. Loss of blood, from a mere tinging of fæces to escape of many ounces. Uneasiness about rectum; tenesmus. Irritability of bladder, and of uterus in women. Muco-purulent discharge. Loss of flesh. Anæmia. Sallowiness of complexion. Derangement of functions of liver, stomach and bowels, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Daily action of bowels to be ensured by remedies recommended for external piles. Improvement of general health. Attention to functions of liver, digestive organs, &c. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Digitalis. Quinine. Arsenic. Sulphur. Cold water enemata. Enemata of solutions of gallic acid, alum, ammonio-iron alum, or of tincture of perchloride of iron to check hæmorrhage. When protruding piles cannot be replaced, it may be necessary to reduce their size by applying ice, or by puncturing, before making further attempts. If, from constriction of sphincter, protruded piles have become strangulated and more or less gangrenous, they must be poulticed, and pain relieved by opiates till they slough off.

**Radical cures:**—Cauterization with nitric acid. Simple excision dangerous, owing to probability of hæmorrhage. Excision with *écraseur*. Use of clamp and excision; applying actual cautery, or nitric acid, before removing clamp. Operation by ligature.

**HEADACHE.**—Synon. *Cephalalgia* (Κεφαλή, the head; ἄλγος, pain.)—Of common occurrence during progress of most acute and many chronic diseases. Affects adults more than young or old: inhabitants of towns more than country folk: nervous and delicate more than robust: higher classes of society more than lower.

**VARIETIES.** Four principal forms may be noticed:—(1) *Organic headache*, due to disease of brain or membranes, and especially of such in early stage. Accompanied by vertigo; sometimes by vomiting, convulsions, confusion of mind, noises in ears. Pain, sharp or dull, or lancinating or throbbing. When due to inflammation, pain intense, increased by warmth or noise or movements, and lessened by elevating head.—In valvular disease of heart, the interrupted supply of blood to nervous system causes headache.—Sometimes headache is the only symptom of constitutional syphilis.

(2) *Plethoric headache*, dependent on congestion of cerebral vessels. Sense of pulsation in ears: giddiness on stooping. Constipation. Those who live too freely, take but little exercise, rise late in morning, &c., are subject to it. It may arise from sudden suppression of accustomed discharge, as of catamenia.

(3) *Bilious headache*, so called, associated as frequently with gastric catarrh and other derangements as with disorder of liver. May be temporary or constant. When temporary, produced by some error of diet, any excess in food or wine. Most severe in morning, after restless night. Passes away with cause. Constant *sick headache* occurs in persons with weak stomachs, and in the gouty.



Stomach and duodenum out of order : gastric catarrh. Tongue coated, breath offensive, flatulence, low spirits, nausea. Hepatic functions ill-performed : stools clay coloured. Urine scanty and high coloured.

(4) *Nervous headache*, often spoken of as sick headache, is frequently hereditary. It comes on at intervals without provocation, or after fatigue or hot rooms or errors in diet. It often results in violent vomiting.

Nervous headache may be owing to debility and exhaustion. Poverty of blood from renal disease, hæmorrhage, &c., may induce it. Irritation of decayed teeth, or offensive stumps, a frequent cause.—In *hemicrania* or *brow-ague*, symptoms are intermittent, recurring with regularity of an ague fit.—The *megrima* is a form which affects delicate women, especially if exhausted by over-lactation.—When hysterical young women suffer from nervous headache it is often confined to a single spot, resembles the pain of driving a nail into the part, and is known as *clavus hystericus*.

**TREATMENT.** The indications are to relieve congestion of head and dyspeptic symptoms, while tone is given to general system. Diet to be regulated : often beneficial to discontinue tea and coffee, though in some instances the latter is beneficial. Milk taken at night may be injurious. Tobacco in all forms to be forbidden. In organic headaches, attention to be paid chiefly to cerebral mischief.

Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Aloes, gentian, and liquor potassæ, 148. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Nux vomica and rhubarb, 175. Colchicum, 46. Phosphate of iron, 405. Effervescent citrate of magnesia. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Aconite. Belladonna. Camphor. Iodide of potassium where there is a suspicion of syphilitic taint. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Where there is albuminuria, iron alum, 116; tincture of perchloride of iron and hydrochloric acid, 101. Quinine or arsenic in hemicrania, 52, 379, 381. Zinc or steel in hysterical forms, 394, 403, 410, 414. Stramonium. Shower baths. Mustard pediluvia. Holding arms high above the head sometimes palliative, owing to effect on cerebral circulation. Compression of temporal arteries with pads and a bandage round forehead. Pulvermacher's galvanic chain-band. Ether spray to forehead in frontal headache. Junod's boot. Cold lotions, sponge dipped in cold water, eau de Cologne, &c. to forehead and crown. Hot water bag, or hot sponge to nucha. Dry cupping, or blisters, or sinapisms, or setons, to nape of neck. Extraction of bad teeth. Change of air.

**HEMERALOPIA.**—From *ἡμέρα*, daylight; *διδρωμι*, to see. *Synon. Visus Diurnus; Dysopia Tenebrarum; Night-blindness; Day-vision.*—That condition in which vision is only distinct during daylight. Long exposure to strong light, such as that of the tropics, temporarily exhausts the sensibility of the retina, so that this delicate structure ceases to be affected by twilight. Soldiers and sailors in hot climates often suffer from night-blindness : when so affected they are incapacitated for duty after sunset. In scurvy, there is sometimes the same symptom : retina is weakened like the other tissues.

Rest of the eyes, use of dark blue glasses, quinine or steel, cod liver oil, and nourishing food will generally effect a cure.

In another distinct class of cases, night blindness is a much more serious condition, being due to structural changes in choroid and retina. Ophthalmoscope shows the presence of masses of black pigment on surface of choroid and in the degenerating retina. Tissues of choroid become atrophied: ultimately, the retina undergoes similar change. Total and irremediable blindness gradually ensues.

**HEMICRANIA.**—From *ἥμις*, half; *κρανίον*, the skull. Synon. *Hemicephalæa*; *Neuralgia Cerebralis*; *Megrims*.—Headache affecting one side of brow and forehead.—See *Neuralgia*; *Headache*.

**HEMIOPIA.**—From *ἥμις*, half; *ὤψ*, the eye. Synon. *Visus Dimidiatus*; *Amaurosis Dimidiata*.—That form of faulty vision in which only half an object is seen. May be temporary or permanent.—See *Amaurosis*.

**HEMIPLEGIA.**—From *ἥμις*, half; *πλήσσω*, to strike. Synon. *Semiplegia*; *Semisideratio*.—Paralysis limited to one side of the body.—See *Paralysis*.

**HEPATIC ATROPHY.**—From *ἥπατις*, affecting the liver: *ἄ* priv.; *τρέφω*, to strengthen or support.—See *Acholia*.

**1. Acute Atrophy of Liver.**—Synon. *Yellow Atrophy of Liver*; *Acute Wasting of Liver*; *Softening of Liver*; *Diffused Hepatitis*; *Fatal Jaundice*.—A most remarkable disease; consisting, as a rule, of a rapid and complete destruction of the hepatic cells through every part of the gland. Women more obnoxious to this rare affection than men; pregnancy seems to predispose to it. Among other alleged exciting causes are,—grief or anxiety, sudden alarm, fits of passion; venereal excesses, syphilis, excessive use of mercury; drunkenness and dissolute habits; poisons of malaria and typhus; phosphorus poisoning. Many points of resemblance between acute atrophy and yellow fever.

**SYMPTOMS.** *Preliminary stage*.—Headache, loss of appetite, thirst, drowsiness, mental and bodily depression, irregularity of bowels, tenderness of abdomen. Then, conjunctivæ become yellow: skin gets slightly jaundiced. These precursory symptoms may last from a few days to three or four weeks; or may be altogether absent.

*Confirmed stage*.—Jaundice; perhaps with petechiæ and large ecchymoses. Vomiting; at first of mucus, afterwards of matter like coffee-grounds (altered blood). Irritability, great despondency; soon followed by wandering merging into noisy delirium and convulsions, stupor and deep coma.—Tongue and teeth coated with black sordes. Pains about epigastric and right hypochondriac regions. Diminution of hepatic dulness (may be increased at first): increased area of splenic dulness. Obstinate constipation: purgatives bring away hard

clay-coloured stools; at later period, evacuations black from presence of blood. Difficult micturition: urine loaded with bile pigment, perhaps albuminous, and containing tyrosine and leucine.—Increase of jaundice. Bedsores, if life be prolonged beyond eight or nine days. Hæmorrhages from nose, stomach, bowels, bronchi, &c.

Death usually occurs within a week of commencement of confirmed stage; sometimes within eighteen or twenty-four hours.

**TREATMENT.** Empirical and probably, useless. Usual remedies:—Drastic purgatives; then mineral acids, with diffusible stimulants as prostration increases. Large doses of quinine and mineral acids. Ice. Cold drinks.

**2. Chronic Atrophy of Liver.**—This disease is in no way connected with acute atrophy. It results from all those conditions which tend to arrest the capillary circulation through the gland, and hence to lessen its nutrition.

**SYMPTOMS.** Developed slowly and insidiously. Imperfect digestion: flatulence, diarrhoea, alternating with constipation, pale-coloured stools. Dry sallow skin. Loss of flesh and strength. Anæmia: persistent wasting: perhaps ascites or general dropsy: finally, there may be fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Light nourishing food: avoidance of rich dishes, sugar, fermented drinks, coffee. Warm clothing. Over-fatigue to be guarded against.—Pepsine, 420. Purified ox bile with ammonia, 170. Quinine and ipecacuanha, 44, 384. Quinine and rhubarb, 385. Bark and mineral acids. 376. Harrogate waters. Spa. Kissingen. Marienbad.—*If dropsy set in:*—Purgatives, elaterium, jalap, &c. Diuretics, squills, digitalis, and broom, 219. Buchu and acid tartrate of potash, 222. Nitre, juniper, and ether, 221. Tapping, to afford temporary relief.

**HEPATIC CALCULI.**—From *Ἡπατικός*, affecting the liver: *Calculus* (dimin. of *calx*), a small stone.—See *Gall-Stones*.

**HEPATIC CANCER.**—From *Ἡπατικός*, affecting the liver.—Every variety of cancer has been met with in the liver. Medullary more common than scirrhus.

**SYMPTOMS.** In addition to general indications of malignant disease:—Enlargement of gland: loss of regular form: detection of uneven bulging prominences. Nodulous masses often give rise to partial peritonitis. Daily increasing loss of flesh and strength. Diffused abdominal pain and tenderness. Indigestion. Irritability and mental depression. Jaundice occurs more frequently than ascites: occasionally both present. Formation of gall-stones not uncommonly adds materially to the suffering.

Duration, except in scirrhus, short. Life seldom prolonged for two years, sometimes only for six months, from onset of symptoms.

**TREATMENT.** Opium. Belladonna. Conium. Ammonia and bark. Mineral or vegetable acids. Light nourishing diet.—See *Cancer*.

**HEPATIC CONGESTION.**—From *Ἡπατικός*, affecting the liver. Synon. *Hyperæmia of the Liver*; *Congestion of the Liver*.—Two varieties to be described:—

**1. Passive Congestion.**—Simplest form. Results from some obstruction to circulation through hepatic and portal veins. Occurs in valvular affections of heart; in morbid states of lungs impeding passage of blood through pulmonary artery; in diseases which diminish capacity of thoracic cavity; temporarily, from violent exercise, &c. Leads to diminished excretion of bile: ducts become gorged with bile—*biliary congestion*.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sense of constriction and weight in right hypochondrium. Often, slight jaundice, nausea, dyspepsia: urine scanty, high-coloured, perhaps contains bile-pigment, with traces of albumen: constipation and hæmorrhoids. Area of hepatic dullness found to be increased on percussion, and liver felt to descend below ribs and extend across epigastrium. Symptoms of cardiac or pulmonary disease, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Sulphate of soda and sulphuric acid, 143. Aloes, senna, and sulphate of magnesia, 150. Antimony and magnesia, 152. Nitric acid, senna, and taraxacum, 147. Ammonia and rhubarb, 161. Sulphate of magnesia and iron, 166. Leeches to anus. Harrogate waters. Carlsbad. Kissingen. Marienbad. Simple diet. Avoidance of stimulants.

**2. Active Congestion.**—Capillaries of hepatic artery chiefly affected. Produced by morbid matters in blood; suppression of habitual discharges, *i.e.*, hæmorrhoidal, catamenial, &c.; long residence in hot climates; deranged nervous influence; atony of bloodvessels from disease of coats; excessive eating and drinking, alcohol, &c.; sedentary habits.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fulness and sense of tightness about right hypochondrium. Slight enlargement of gland. Pains about right shoulder. Headache; loss of appetite; mental depression; nausea; irregularity of bowels, bilious stools, &c. These symptoms soon pass off, unless the congestion be kept up by non-removal of the cause; in which case structural disease may ultimately result, with jaundice, perhaps suppurative fever, perhaps dropsy, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of cause. Horse exercise, walking, &c. Simple diet: white fish, fresh vegetables, rice, weak tea, &c. Aloes, gentian and solution of potash, 148. Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Aloes, senna, and jalap, 145. Resin of podophyllum. Sulphate of manganese, 172. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378.

**3. Apoplexy of Liver.**—Extravasated masses of blood sometimes found in hepatic tissue, or beneath the capsule. Results of great congestion induced by morbid changes in the blood. Occur in scurvy, purpura, ichoræmia, and especially in malarious fevers of tropical climates. Extravasations often numerous: vary in size from a pea to a hen's egg; or blood may be infiltrated through parenchyma, converting the tissue into a pulpy mass.

**HEPATIC DEGENERATIONS.**—From *Ἡπατικός*, affecting the liver: *Degenero*, to degenerate.—Three varieties:—

**1. Fatty Degeneration of Liver.**—Synon. *Hepar Adiposum*; *Fatty Liver*.—A great increase in the quantity of oil naturally contained in the hepatic cells; so that, on minute examination, the latter are found gorged with oil-globules, diminishing the normal granular matter, and quite obscuring the nucleolated nuclei. Liver large, pale, smooth, and greasy, often burning like fat.

Of frequent occurrence in phthisis, and in fatty degeneration of other important organs. May affect those who live too freely, who lead indolent lives. Has been observed in constitutional syphilis; as well as after death from ichorhæmia, typhus, small pox, erysipelas, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Often distinguished with difficulty from those of associated disease. If cells be excessively loaded, they may impede capillary circulation, and obstruct excretion of bile. Gastric catarrh, dyspepsia, constipation alternating with diarrhœa, pasty-looking complexion, anæmia, hæmorrhoids, &c. may be present. Liver found to be enlarged on physical examination. Possibly, ascites; complete acholia; or fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Regulation of diet: plainly cooked animal food, fresh ripe fruits. Avoidance of alcohol, sugar, amylaceous matters, and fat. Daily exercise. Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Alkaline aperients, 148. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Iodide of potassium, 31. Harrogate waters. Carlsbad. Kissingen. Selters.

**2. Amyloid Degeneration.**—From *Amylum*, starch. Synon. *Waxy*, *Albuminous*, *Lardaceous*, or *Scrofulous Liver*.—May co-exist with fatty liver, cirrhotic induration, syphilitic cicatrices and gummatous nodules, or be alone present. The glandular structure is gradually converted into a dense material. Minute bloodvessels first thickened, then lobules invaded from without inwards; hence, destruction of hepatic cells with abolition of their functions. After death, liver found increased in weight and size: may average 8 or 9 lbs. avoirdupois instead of 3 or 4 lbs. Substance firm, glistening on section, resembling yellow wax: cut surface presents only faint traces of lobules. Iodine and sulphuric acid stain it dark blue or black.

Chief predisposing causes,—Caries and necrosis in strumous subjects; constitutional syphilis; prolonged suppuration; tubercular disease of lungs and intestines; and perhaps intermittent fever.

**SYMPTOMS.** Enlargement of liver. Sense of fulness in right hypochondrium. Enlargement of spleen. Loss of appetite. Dyspepsia: flatulence, attacks of diarrhœa with pale stools, nausea. Anæmia with sallow look. Albuminuria, from co-existence of same disease in kidneys. Very rarely, acute pain; jaundice; ascites. Disease slowly but steadily advances to fatal termination.

**TREATMENT.** Unsatisfactory. Attempts to be made to relieve the cause, and prominent symptoms. Potash salts. Iodide of potassium.

Iodide of iron. Ferruginous tonics. Warm or tepid sea-water baths. Digestible food.—See *Amyloid Degeneration*.

**3. Pigment Liver.**—Synon. *Melanæmic Liver*.—After death from severe intermittent, remittent, or continued fevers, the liver is sometimes found to present a blackish or chocolate colour. This is due to accumulation of pigment matter in vascular apparatus of the gland (Frerichs). The loading of the hepatic capillaries with this melanoctic matter, leads to their destruction, and consequent atrophy of the gland. The resulting gastric catarrh, diarrhoea, and severe cerebral symptoms or ascites, are incurable.

**HEPATIC HYPERTROPHY.**—From *ἥπατις*, affecting the liver; *ἄτερ*, in excess; *τρέφω*, to nourish.—Hypertrophy of liver characterized by an increase in the secreting cells, causing general enlargement of the gland. Hepatic cells may be increased in size, or multiplied in number.

Arises from long-continued congestion, such as occurs in residents of tropical climates or of malarious districts. Sometimes found in leucocythemia, phthisis, dysentery, saccharine diabetes, &c. Partial hypertrophy may be of a compensatory nature—i.e., a portion of gland having been rendered useless by disease, the healthy part has its cells enlarged so as to prevent systemic derangement.

**HEPATIC TUMOURS.**—From *ἥπατις*, affecting the liver; *Tumor* (tumeo), a tumour.—The most significant new formations having their seat in the liver are the hydatid tumours and cancerous infiltrations (see *Hepatic Cancer*). There are, however, two or three other growths which may be met with.

**1. Cystic Tumours.**—Encysted knotty tumours, containing a cheese-like substance, are found in the glandular substance, varying in size from that of a large pea to a small potato. They have their origin in inflammation of mucous lining of hepatic ducts. Steatomatous contents composed of irregular granules, free oil globules, and occasionally plates of cholesterine.

*Simple serous cysts*, with clear watery contents, are sometimes scattered through the liver. Seldom larger than small beans.

*Sacculated cysts*, containing a glairy fluid, may be met with. Very rarely, the liver has been crowded with such cavities.

**2. Cavernous Tumours.**—Commonly found on upper surface of the gland, especially in bodies of aged persons. They are developed in the hypertrophied connective tissue. On the surface, they look like dark blue coloured spaces, varying in size from that of a pea to a fowl's egg: on cutting into them, a tissue is found resembling that of the corpora cavernosa of penis, containing dark blood.

**3. Tuberculosis.**—Tubercular deposits in liver more common than was supposed, but very inconspicuous; probably never occur primarily, but always in connection with far advanced tuberculosis of other organs—especially of abdominal viscera. Deposit takes place over all parts of the gland, in shape of semi-transparent miliary

granules, or as yellow caseous deposits. Patient usually succumbs to constitutional affection before stage of softening sets in.

**4. Hydatid Tumours.**—From *Ἵδαρις*, a vesicle. Synon. *Echinococci of the Liver*.—Hydatid tumours occur in the liver more frequently than in other organs. They are occasionally met with, however, in subperitoneal areolar tissue, spleen, omentum, muscles of heart, brain, kidneys, lungs, ovaries, and bones—particularly the tibia.

These growths consist of a sac formed by condensation of surrounding structures lined by a bladder or cyst, which is filled with a limpid salt fluid; floating in which are usually found numerous small bladders which contain the entozoon known as the echinococcus (*Ἐχῖνος*, a hedgehog, and *κόκκος*, a berry). Hence, the term “echinococcus cysts” is sometimes used synonymously with “hydatids.” The echinococci are immature tapeworms—the scolices or embryos of the *Tænia echinococcus* which infests the dog and wolf.

**SYMPTOMS.** A hydatid tumour in the liver grows slowly. May give rise to little inconvenience beyond a sensation of weight. When large, it is easily detected: volume of liver increased. Occasionally, fluctuation: in exceptional cases, a peculiar vibratory sensation—hydatid fremitus. If the cyst inflame, violent pains. Sometimes compression of portal vein or vena cava, causing ascites and œdema of legs.—Cyst may burst into peritoneum, causing fatal peritonitis; or into base of lung, hydatids and puriform matter being expectorated; or into hepatic duct, whence contents may pass through common duct into duodenum. More fortunately it sometimes bursts directly into intestines, or through abdominal wall. May also undergo spontaneous cure, without rupture; by death of hydatid, when cyst may contract and contain thick putty-like matter.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium, 3i. Calomel. Common salt. Sulphur baths. Efficiency very doubtful. Electrolysis. Removal of fluid contents by tapping. This generally sufficient except when there are numerous secondary cysts. If not, injection of solution of iodine; or of diluted alcohol; or of weak solution of carbolic acid after tapping; insertion of drainage-tube after tapping. Careful incision, provided cyst be adherent to integuments, which should be secured by exciting inflammation. Incision and free evacuation of contents usually required when there are secondary cysts.

**HEPATITIS.**—From *ἥπαρ*, the liver; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the liver has to be considered under five heads:—(1) Hepatitis, or inflammation of peritoneal investment, or of substance of the gland, or of both combined. (2) Cirrhosis, or that slow form of inflammatory action which affects the areolar or connective tissue. (3) Syphilitic hepatitis. (4) Inflammation of the bloodvessels. (5) Inflammation of biliary ducts and gall-bladder.

**1. Hepatitis.**—Occasionally only the coats of liver and Glisson's capsule become inflamed (*Peri-Hepatitis*). More commonly, substance of gland attacked. The morbid action may be diffused

over whole organ (*Hepatitis diffusa parenchymatosa*); and it may lead to softening and acute atrophy, or to induration. Generally inflammation more circumscribed (*Hepatitis vera circumscripta, suppuratoria*); and then abscess is a frequent result.

**SYMPTOMS.** Tenderness over gland: most marked if peritoneal investment be affected. High fever, sometimes assuming an adynamic form. Fulness of right hypochondrium: increased dullness on percussion. Pain increased by pressure, cough, deep inspiration: inability to lie on left side. Yellow tinge of conjunctiva: rarely jaundice. Dyspnoea, cough, vomiting, headache, hiccup. Pains in right clavicle and shoulder: probably, when left lobe of liver suffers, pains in left shoulder.

Formation of abscess signalized by chills, or distinct rigors. Hectic fever. Gastric disturbance. Pain and great tenderness. Tension of abdominal muscles on palpation. Feeling of weight about liver. Emaciation. Prostration. Diarrhoea or dysentery.

**TREATMENT.** Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Aloes, gentian, and potash, 148. Small doses of blue pill and ipecacuanha, chloride of ammonium. Acid tartrate of potash. Salines, 348. Opium. Opium and ipecacuanha, 324. Opium and belladonna, 344. Ipecacuanha, morphia, and astringents where there is dysentery. Fomentations. Compress with dilute nitro-hydrochloric acid and water.—Restricted diet. Indian sarsaparilla and barley water drink, 20. Acid tartrate of potash drink, 356. Complete rest in bed.

*If suppuration occur:*—Bark and ammonia, 371. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Opium. Wine. Nourishing food.—If surface of abscess have become adherent to abdominal parietes, free incision with antiseptic precautions and insertion of drainage tube or puncture with trocar and canula, after exploratory puncture with grooved needle. Aspiration has been found very successful. Some authorities prefer allowing abscess to burst spontaneously.

*Remedies sometimes employed:*—Tartarated antimony. Calomel. Iodide of potassium. Colchicum. Digitalis. Bloodletting. Leeches. Blisters. Issues.

**2. Cirrhosis.**—From *Képpos*, yellowish: because on slicing the liver it presents the greyish-yellow colour of impure beeswax. Synon. *Interstitial Hepatitis*; *Granular Induration of Liver*; *Hob-nailed Liver*; *Gin-drinker's Liver*.—Chronic inflammation and hypertrophy of areolar tissue pervading and covering liver. The gland becomes abnormally firm, and subsequently contracted; the contraction of thickened connective tissue causing the capsule to be drawn in, so that the surface of the liver has a "hob-nailed" appearance. As it is a common result of spirit-drinking, it is sometimes known as *Gin-drinker's Liver*. Sometimes occurs in young, and independently of alcohol.

**SYMPTOMS.** Few and obscure until effused fibrin begins to interfere with flow of portal blood, and secretion and escape of bile. Slight enlargement of gland: as fibrous tissue contracts and lobules atrophy,



the gland diminishes in size. Hypertrophy of spleen. Pain in right hypochondrium: indigestion, flatulence, constipation: occasional feverishness: dry and rough skin: unhealthy sallow look. After an interval,—debility with loss of flesh. An increasing contraction of effused lymph obstructs portal circulation,—ascites. Jaundice, occasional but not common. Dilatation of veins in abdominal walls. Hæmorrhage into stomach and intestines. Sometimes an attack of hæmatemesis has constituted one of earliest symptoms, and caused death before disease has been suspected. Increase of dropsical effusion. Death from exhaustion; or from some intercurrent attack of pneumonia, peritonitis, jaundice and toxæmia, or diarrhœa.

Occasionally runs a more rapid course, attended with feverishness, jaundice, anorexia, vomiting and constipation. Liver very large, rather tender; tongue foul and breath offensive; there may be hæmatemesis or melæna. Usually fatal in six or eight weeks.

**TREATMENT.** *At commencement:*—Disuse of all alcoholic drinks, coffee, curry, and highly seasoned dishes. Plain animal food, milk, fish, &c. Sulphate of magnesia, 141. Sulphate of soda, 143. Resin of podophyllum, 160. Acid tartrate of potash and taraxacum, 194. Factitious Carlsbad waters, 181. Waters of Carlsbad, Marienbad, Kreuznach. Iodide of potassium, 31. Quinine and iodide of iron, 382.

*When degeneration of hepatic cells has far advanced:*—Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Pepsine and nux vomica, 420. Ox-gall. Rhubarb and bitters, 370. Inunction of hepatic region with compound iodide ointment: red iodide of mercury ointment.

*For checking hæmorrhage:*—Free purgation by salines to relieve the portal congestion. Astringents sometimes recommended but value doubtful; such as gallic acid, 103; turpentine, 50, 102; cinnamon and nitric acid, 104; aromatic sulphuric acid and opium, 100. Cold drinks useful: ice. Bladder of ice over abdomen.

*For ascites:*—Squills, digitalis, and juice or decoction of broom, 319. Buchu and cream of tartar, 222. Nitre, juniper, and nitrous ether, 221. Solution of potash and digitalis, 220. Benzoate of ammonia, 215. Elaterium, 157. Calomel and jalap, 159. Morphia, chloroform and Indian hemp, 317. Tapping. Nourishing food: milk, raw eggs, stimulants.

**3. Syphilitic Hepatitis.**—Generally accompanied with other tertiary symptoms of venereal infection. Three varieties:—(1) Simple interstitial hepatitis and peri-hepatitis. (2) Hepatitis gummosa; in which white depressions, like cicatrices, are found to contain yellowish nodules of a rounded form and dried appearance, varying in size from a linseed to a bean. And (3) as waxy, amyloid, or lardaceous degeneration.—All three forms may co-exist or either may be present independently of the others (Frerichs).

**SYMPTOMS.** Those produced by first and second varieties seldom very striking: while one portion of gland becomes unfit for its functions, the cells of healthy part get hypertrophied. Syphilitic cachexia. Enlargement of spleen. Sometimes albuminuria.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium, 31. Corrosive sublimate, 27.

Green iodide of mercury, 53. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Nourishing food. Rest from mental and bodily labour: country air. Where there is renal disease,—iodide of iron, 32.—See *Hepatic Degenerations*.

**4. Diseases of Bloodvessels.**—*Hepatic artery and its branches* may be involved in liver disease,—in cirrhosis, cancer, tubercle, &c.; or canal of artery may become obstructed; or there may be atheroma of the coats, or aneurismal dilatation.

*Portal vein* may have its channel obstructed by coagula.—Sometimes ruptured, from fatty degeneration of coats.—Inflammation, ulceration, or suppuration of viscera in which the roots of this vein have their origin, may produce suppurative disease of vein itself. Chief features of suppurative portal phlebitis are headache, violent fever, great prostration, rigors, profuse sweating, pains in epigastrium or right hypochondrium, bilious diarrhœa, jaundice, enlargement of liver and spleen; followed frequently by symptoms of peritonitis, occasionally by metastatic purulent deposits in liver or lungs or joints; and terminating in fatal exhaustion or coma. Remedies of little avail: quinine and opium to subdue rigors and pain. Milk and raw eggs. Solution of beef, 2. Demulcent drinks, 19.

*Hepatic veins* usually found enlarged after death from valvular disease of heart.—Rarely the seat of adhesive inflammation.—Suppurative hepatic phlebitis more common, as a consequence of abscess of liver. Blood-poisoning generally ensues.

**5. Inflammation of Biliary Passages.**—The biliary ducts and gall-bladder may be attacked by different forms of inflammation:—(1) *Catarrhal* inflammation, in which secretion of mucus is increased and soon becomes viscid or muco-purulent. Sometimes the cystic or common duct becomes temporarily obstructed by a firm plug of mucus. The morbid action generally has its origin in catarrh of stomach and duodenum. (2) In *exudative* or *plastic* inflammation there is either a firm fibrinous or a croupal product. This forms casts of the tubes, blocking them up and leading to dilatation. (3) *Suppurative* inflammation leads to formation of pus and a thick kind of mucus tinged with bile. Ulceration may occur, and numerous small abscesses may be found in the ramifications of the ducts: ulceration of gall-bladder often found, together with gall-stones: may be induced by decomposing bile, where there are no calculi.

**SYMPTOMS.** Very variable in severity. Gall-bladder, cystic, and common ducts more obnoxious to inflammation than hepatic ducts, because the former are more likely to be irritated by gall-stones and unhealthy bile.—In catarrhal inflammation there is slight tenderness, tightness about epigastric and right hypochondriac regions, nausea, mild fever, and constipation. The most characteristic symptom is; jaundice, viscid mucus choking up many of the ducts; ending with salutary diarrhœa as pent-up bile finds its way into duodenum.—

Undue retention of bile in gall-bladder, from any cause, may lead to *decomposition*: hence irritation and inflammation, perhaps ending in *suppuration and ulceration* and even perforation,

*Dilatation of biliary passages* may occur from their origin in plexiform network in which hepatic cells lie, to termination of common excretory duct of liver and gall-bladder in duodenum. Generally, expansion only partial. In any case, it may arise from habitual accumulation of inspissated bile; compression of ducts by tumours or by disease of the parenchyma; inflammatory swelling of mucous lining diminishing calibre of tubes, and so leading to retention of their secretions as well as of bile; and from obstruction by calculi, catarrhal or croupy exudations, &c. Owing to obstruction of duodenal orifice, the ductus communis choledochus has become as large as small intestine. When the gall-bladder cannot get rid of its contents in consequence of occlusion of cystic duct, the residuary bile may be absorbed; but if lining membrane continue to secrete mucus, dropsy of cyst must result. If obstructing substance act like a valve, permitting ingress of bile but preventing egress, a large pear-shaped or globular tumour may form, containing some pints of fluid. Rupture of bladder has been prevented by tapping: can be safely performed provided there are adhesions to abdominal wall, or by means of aspirator without.

**TREATMENT.** Active remedies have probably only an injurious effect. Recovery may be aided by a restricted diet, and especially by use of liquid food, such as milk; warm baths; simple aperients if there be constipation; astringents if there be undue diarrhoea. Fomentations and sedatives to relieve pain; rubbing with moderate pressure. Phosphate and carbonate of soda with much water; simple diluents or salines for fever and thirst: digestible restorative food, with ammonia and bark, if there be exhaustion.

Where catarrhal inflammation becomes chronic, and customary discharge of bile does not occur,—Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Benzoic acid, 49. Benzoate of ammonia, 215. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Waters of Carlsbad, Marienbad, Selters, Kissengen.

*Remedies sometimes employed*:—Leeches to anus: to hepatic region. Blisters. Issues. Calomel. Blue pill. Taraxacum. Resin of podophyllum. Tartarated antimony. Iodine. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of zinc. Nitric acid. Purified ox bile. Chlorine baths. Nitro-hydrochloric acid baths. Turkish baths.

**HERNIA.**—From *ἑρπος*, a branch or sprout; because in this affection the whole or a part of an organ shoots out from its natural position. Synon. *Rupture*.—A tumour formed by the protrusion of more or less of a viscus from its normal site. Thus, there may be hernia of the brain, iris, mucous lining of windpipe through rings of trachea, lung, liver, spleen, bladder, uterus, ovaries, omentum, and intestine. When, however, the term “hernia” stands alone it signifies a protrusion of omentum or intestine through some abnormal opening in abdominal walls; in which sense it is here considered. The viscera most liable to protrusion are,—small intestines, omentum, and arch of colon. The most frequent sites are those points where muscular and tendinous structures are weakened to allow of exit of

spermatic cord in male and round ligament in female, or of large vessels to lower extremity,—inguinal and crural canals.

A hernia is composed of a *Sac* and its *Contents*. The sac consists of the parietal layer of peritoneum: is always present save in herniæ following penetrating wounds, in some cases of congenital umbilical hernia, and in cases where viscus protruded is only partially covered by peritoneum (as the cæcum); and it has a *neck* which is often the seat of constriction in strangulated herniæ, and a *body* which is usually pyriform or globular. When the sac only contains intestine, the rupture is termed an *Enterocoele*; when only omentum, an *Epi-plocele*; when both, an *Entero-epiplocele*.

A hernia is at first *Reducible*,—the contents of the sac can generally be pushed back into abdominal cavity, though the sac itself rapidly becomes adherent to areolar tissue. After reduction, protrusion is to be restrained by a proper truss,—a pad kept over the seat of protrusion and the canal along which it passes by a steel spring round the body. Amongst the best trusses are those of Mr. John Wood; contrived so as to exert flat and level pressure at sides of hernial opening instead of in the axis. Bigg's convolute spring truss sometimes very useful in oblique inguinal rupture. A *radical* cure may be desirable: operations for effecting this, either aim at invaginating the skin and superficial fascia and sac, so as to plug the opening through which the hernia passes (Wutzer's); or, after invaginating sac and fascia, the sides of the aperture are brought together by subcutaneous stitches, and held so until sufficient adhesive inflammation has been set up (John Wood's).

*Irreducible* hernia,—protrusion generally large, of long standing, and often consisting of thickened omentum and of intestine and mesentery. If left alone, there is a tendency to gradual increase: to prevent this, if hernia be not too large, it may be supported and protected by a truss with a large concave pad; if of great size, a suspensory bandage ought to be worn. Inflammation, simulating strangulation, sometimes occurs in these herniæ: the treatment must consist in use of opium, fomentations, and perfect rest.

*Incarcerated* hernia is an irreducible hernia which has become temporarily obstructed, from accumulated flatus or some undigested matters in an angle of the gut. The constipation is to be removed by purgative enemata, 189, 191: ice may be applied: the taxis to be used to empty incarcerated gut of its contents, or the aspirator may be employed.

In *strangulated* hernia the portion of protruded omentum or intestine is so tightly constricted that it cannot be reduced: consequently the passage of fæces is arrested, the return of blood from the strangulated portion is prevented, and gangrene soon occurs if relief be not afforded. The symptoms are those of obstruction of the bowels. The treatment consists in recourse to the *taxis*,—the attempt to return the protrusion by manipulation, without undue force. This may be assisted by placing the patient in a hot bath, *by inducing anæsthesia* with chloroform; by a full dose of opium; *by application of bladder of ice*; by aspirating the hernia; or by in-

verting the patient, so that the gut may be emptied of its fluid contents. ("He may, if occasion require, be carried to and fro upon the back of a strong man with his head downwards, by which the prolapsed bowels are often reduced.") Some practitioners relax the muscular contraction by bleeding, nauseating doses of antimony or tobacco, large enemata to empty the lower bowel, &c. If the symptoms continue after reduction they may be due to,—the hernia having been pushed back *en masse*, sac and all; or there may have been a double strangulation, the taxis having failed to relieve the stricture within the sac; or the constriction may have been so great that gangrene has been set up. But the taxis failing to effect reduction, one of two operations becomes necessary without delay:—an incision is made over the neck of the tumour, the sac exposed and opened, and the stricture divided from within; or the sac is to be left entire, the stricture being divided outside.

The special herniæ are:—(1) *Oblique inguinal hernia*, in which the protrusion originates at internal abdominal ring, traverses entire length of inguinal canal, and usually passes out at external ring.—(2) *Direct inguinal hernia* passes through a triangular space on inner side of epigastric vessels, bursting through or pushing before it the conjoined tendon of internal oblique and transversalis muscles, and presenting at external ring gradually makes its way into scrotum or labium.—(3) *Congenital hernia* descends inside the tunica vaginalis, which forms its sac. Always oblique, following the course of spermatic cord. The tendency to the protrusion is congenital, but the actual hernia may not occur for some years after birth.—(4) *Femoral or crural hernia* is that which escapes under Poupart's ligament through the crural ring, and enters the sheath of the vessels internal to the femoral vein. After passing through the saphenous opening of the fascia lata it turns up over the falciform process, instead of descending on the thigh.—(5) *Umbilical hernia* protrudes through the umbilical aperture. Not uncommon in infants, and in women who have borne many children.—(6) *Ventral herniæ* are such as protrude through any part of the abdominal parietes, except the inguinal or femoral or umbilical apertures. Most frequent through the linea alba, lineæ semilunares, &c.—(7) *Obturator hernia* passes through the opening in obturator ligament which gives exit to the artery and nerve. Very rare, and very difficult to diagnose during life.—(8) *Ischiatic hernia* escapes through the sciatic notch.—(9) *Perineal hernia* descends between rectum and bladder, forming a protrusion in perinæum.—(10) *Vaginal hernia* gives rise to a tumour which protrudes through the posterior or upper wall of vagina.—(11) *Labial hernia* presents a tumour in one of the labia and along the side of vagina.—(12) *Diaphragmatic hernia* results from a wound or from congenital deficiency of a portion of the diaphragm. The stomach or transverse colon, with a large portion of omentum, may escape through such an opening and form a large tumour in thoracic cavity.

**HERPES.**—From *ἑρπω*, to creep. Synon. Tetter. A transient

non-contagious skin disease, consisting of clusters of vesicles upon inflamed patches of irregular size and form. Eruption runs a definite course; with one exception, rarely continues for more than three or four days; it is not usually severe, and leaves no scar.

**VARIETIES.** *Herpes labialis*, often forms on upper lip during a cold.—*Herpes preputialis*, occurs on foreskin; vesicles run into each other, producing an excoriation covered with a scab.—*Herpes zoster, zona, or shingles*, sometimes very troublesome: frequently attended with severe stinging pain. Inflamed patches with their clustered vesicles follow the course of a nerve, most commonly one or more of the intercostals, and arranged in form of a band, encircling half the circumference of the body; may occur on limbs along the course of any nerve.—*Herpes ophthalmicus*, not uncommon. Groups of vesicles along branches of superior division of fifth nerve. If nasal branch affected, the eyeball to which it supplies branches will be inflamed. May resist treatment for a few weeks. Often followed by neuralgia, especially in old people.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to bowels. Regulation of diet. Vesicles may be pricked, and sponged with warm water or dilute solution of subacetate of lead. Oxide of zinc, or subacetate of lead ointment. Painting with belladonna or aconite liniment, where there is pain. In obstinate forms, quinine and arsenic, 52. For neuralgia following shingles,—Steel and arsenic. Quinine. Iodide of iron. Nourishing food.

**HICCOUGH.**—Synon. *Singultus; Hiccup.*—A short convulsive and noisy inspiration, followed immediately by expiration. It is due to the sudden and involuntary and momentary contraction of the diaphragm, with the simultaneous narrowing of the glottis. Frequently a warning of great danger in severe diseases: often a symptom of irritation or inflammation of the digestive organs; occasionally a product of hysteria: sometimes a mild idiopathic affection. Most common during infancy and old age. The convulsive inspirations produce pain about the præcordia. Paroxysms of hiccough recurring at short intervals, and continuing for some days, are occasionally the cause of great exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** *Idiopathic*:—In mild cases hiccough may perhaps be checked by taking a set of deep inspirations, and then holding the breath as long as possible, so as to keep the diaphragm contracted. A belt firmly applied round epigastrium. Use of sternutatories to provoke prolonged sneezing.—In severe forms,—Ammonia. Musk. Peppermint. Camphor. Ether. Mulled port wine, or hot brandy and water with spice. Cajuput oil or chloroform on sugar. Extract of Indian hemp. Aconite. Belladonna. Tincture of nux vomica. Inhalation of chloroform or ether. Opium. Henbane. Hydrocyanic acid. Ice, or iced water. Blisters; sinapisms; turpentine stupes; dry cupping; wet compress; belladonna, aconite, chloroform, or opium liniment; either agent to be applied to back and sides, in neighbourhood of attachments of diaphragm.—*Dyspeptic*:—Emetics. Mild warm aperients, or enemata of castor oil, &c. Draughts of ammonia,

bicarbonate of potash, and peppermint water. White bismuth. Creasote. Ipecacuanha. Sinapisms.—*Hysterical*.—Assafetida. Sumbul. Musk. Valerianate of ammonia, quinine, iron, or zinc. Ferruginous tonics. Shower baths. Galvanism.—*Intermittent*.—Quinine. Arsenic.—*Infantile*.—Dill water (aqua anethi). A few drops of brandy in hot sugared water. Warm bath. Attention to quantity and quality of milk or other food.

**HOOPING-COUGH.**—Synon. *Pertussis*; *Tussis Convulsiva*; *Bronchocephalitis*; *Chincough*.—An infectious disease, especially of childhood; rarely occurring more than once in same individual. Attended with slight fever and vomiting; and accompanied at first by catarrh, and subsequently by a peculiar cough which occurs in paroxysms at uncertain intervals.—Duration from two or three weeks to as many months.—Probably due to some poison affecting respiratory mucous membrane. Sometimes epidemic.

**SYMPTOMS.** After a latent period of perhaps six days, a simple catarrhal and slightly febrile stage of eight or ten or twenty days' duration; sometimes accompanied, but usually followed, by violent paroxysms of coughing. Restlessness from coryza, heat of skin, oppression of chest. As fever remits, the cough assumes its peculiar shrill sound or hoop. Child soon learns when each paroxysm is commencing, and is frightened. Series of coughs or expiratory efforts very protracted; suffocation seems about to set in, face purple and swollen, when relief is afforded by a long inspiratory act, the rush of air through glottis causing characteristic crowing or hooping. Directly after fit, patient regains courage; soon appears well. If paroxysm end in vomiting, which is very common, there is a craving for food immediately afterwards. There may be two or three paroxysms in a day, or as many in an hour; they are induced by excitement, crying, &c. The frænum of the tongue is often ulcerated, this being due to abrasion by the lower teeth, as the tongue is protruded violently.

**Complications**.—May co-exist with measles, small-pox, &c. With bronchitis, pneumonia, disordered bowels, some head affection.—Perhaps the urine occasionally contains sugar—pertussal glucosuria.—When cough is very severe, it is sometimes accompanied with hæmorrhage from nose or mouth; or from ears, with laceration of membrane of tympanum. Ecchymosis of conjunctivæ, common. May prove fatal from exhaustion due to loss of food by vomiting, or by causing pneumonia. Convulsions. Hydrocephalus. More frequently, by catarrhal inflammation of bronchi, with collapse of a portion of the lung.

**TREATMENT.** *Mild cases*.—Warm clothing: flannel or chamois leather jackets next the skin. Light nourishing food. Mucilaginous drinks. Confinement in-doors. Friction of spine night and morning, with belladonna and soap liniment, 281. Or turpentine and chloroform liniment.

*More severe forms*.—Ipecacuan, as an emetic, if bronchi are loaded with mucus, 231. Ammonia, ipecacuan, and senega, 235. Sulphate of zinc and belladonna, 92. Ammonia, ether, bella-

donna, and hydrocyanic acid, 86. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Bromide of ammonium with hydrocyanic acid, and stramonium. Chloral hydrochlorate of quinine. Spirit of chloroform. Hydrocyanic acid. Nitric acid, 91. Tincture of aconite. Belladonna. Morphia. Opium, 333. Hydrochlorate of ammonia. When food vomited, a drop or two of tincture of opium to be given just before meals. Carbolic inhalations. Attention to bowels. Confinement to one room; temperature 68° F. Flannel clothing. Nutritious but easily digested food; milk, cream, fish, eggs.—*When chronic*:—Saccharated carbonate of iron. Cod liver oil. Removal to sea-side.

*Remedies sometimes recommended*:—Tartarated antimony. Ipecacuan. Alum. Arsenic. Assafoetida. Camphor. Coffee. Colchicum. Peroxide of hydrogen. Musk. Lobelia inflata. Saccharated carbonate of iron. Quinine. Oxide of zinc. Sulphur. Vaccination. Sponging fauces and glottis with solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 20 to the fl. oz.). Spray of solution of quinine. Exposure to fumes from lime used for purifying gas. Leeches to spine. Sinapisms to spine. Tartarated antimony ointment. Cold shower bath, in chronic stage.

**HOUSEMAID'S KNEE.**—Enlargement of bursa over patella, the result of pressure and inflammation from kneeling. If the inflammation be acute,—Leeches, poultices, evaporating lotions, and rest will be needed. In chronic cases,—Iodine liniment, blisters, ammoniac and mercury plaster, diluted red iodide of mercury ointment, &c. Wire setons. Tapping with trocar, followed by seton: the wires or threads to be left in until free suppuration has been set up. If there be sloughing, a free incision must be made through anterior part of bursa.

**HYDRÆMIA.**—From ὕδωρ, water; αἷμα, blood. Watery blood.—See *Anæmia*.

**HYDROCELE AND HÆMATOCELE.**—Hydrocele from (ὕδωρ, water; κήλη, a tumour) consists of an accumulation of serum in the tunica vaginalis, or in the cord. Hæmatocele (αἷμα, blood; κήλη) is an extravasation of blood into tunica vaginalis.

**1. Hydrocele of Tunica Vaginalis.**—Synon. *Hydrops Scroti*; *Hydrorchis*.—May result from injuries, testitis, and many causes.

**SYMPTOMS.** The scrotum gradually gets distended with serum, until it forms a smooth and pear-shaped elastic and translucent swelling. The testicle may be felt near the lower and back part: the spermatic cord to be distinguished free at neck of tumour. The fluid consists of pale yellow serum: average quantity ten or twelve ounces. When chronic, the tunica vaginalis becomes thick, dense, and opaque, and swelling may not have pyriform shape.—In *congenital* hydrocele the communication between the tunica vaginalis and peritoneal cavity has not been obliterated. Apt to be complicated with *congenital hernia*.—In *encysted* hydrocele there are one or more *cysts filled with serum* connected with the testis or epididymis,



**TREATMENT.** *Palliative*.—Withdrawal of fluid by trocar. Punctures with a grooved needle: fluid escapes from tunica vaginalis into scrotal areolar tissue, whence it is absorbed. Painting with iodine. Friction with diluted red iodine of mercury ointment. *Radical cure*.—Tapping, with injection of tincture of iodide (fl. drm. j to water iij), allowing the injection to remain. A moderate amount of inflammation is set up, which does not subside for two or three days. This plan failing, a seton may be passed through the sac,—two or three threads, or a fine iron wire.—In *congenital* hydrocele a truss to be worn, so as by pressure to close vaginal process. Iodine to scrotum. Punctures with grooved needle. Irritating injections inappropriate.—In *encysted* form, recourse is to be had to tapping with or without injection; or to seton.

**2. Hydrocele of Cord.**—Serum accumulates in areolar tissue of cord: not common. In some cases the fluid is formed in a distinct cyst; which may either be a new formation, or a portion of unobliterated vaginal process of peritoneum. Where interference is needed, the best remedies are iodine to surface of enlargement. Acupuncture.

**3. Hæmatocele.**—Synon. *A Blood Tumour*.—May be due to injury: sometimes arises spontaneously. The tunica vaginalis gets distended with blood: perhaps to such an extent as to compress the testicle and produce atrophy. Rest, pressure, and cold lotions sometimes effect a cure. If there be much inflammation it may be necessary to turn out the clot by a free incision, and leave the cavity to granulate.

**HYDROCEPHALOID DISEASE.**—From *ῥῑς*, water; *κεφαλή*, the head; terminal *-ides*. Synon. *Spurious Hydrocephalus*.—A form of cerebral anæmia. The early appearances somewhat resemble those due to tubercular meningitis. A fatal error to mistake spurious for real hydrocephalus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Weakly children the subjects of this affection, especially when exhausted by diarrhoea or some acute disease. Heaviness of head. Drowsiness. Great languor. Unhealthy stools. Alarm at strangers and slight noises. Freaks of temper. Irregular breathing. Coolness of skin. Surface of fontanelle depressed, instead of raised as in true hydrocephalus.

**TREATMENT.** Pure milk. Strong beef tea, or finely pounded meat. Raw meat, 2. Port wine. Bark. Steel; especially chemical food, 405. Strict avoidance of active purgatives, diuretics, and poor diet.

**HYDROCEPHALUS.**—From *ῥῑς*, water; *κεφαλή*, the head. Synon. *Hydrocranium*; *Hydrops Capitis*; *Water on the Head*; *Dropsy of the Brain*.—Met with in children of various ages, as result of many circumstances. Often congenital, and associated with some cerebral malformation. Sometimes the precursor, sometimes result, of tubercular meningitis: in this case, often spoken of as acute hydro

cephalus. When congenital, or when arising slowly from constitutional causes, it is termed *chronic hydrocephalus*.

For acute hydrocephalus see *Tubercular Meningitis* among cerebral inflammations.

Head attains a great size: the unossified sutures yield readily to pressure of fluid. One side may be larger than the other. Bones thin and transparent: meninges thickened. Serum usually contained in lateral ventricles, which are perhaps expanded into one large cavity: occasionally collected in sac of arachnoid, compressing brain. Quantity of fluid varies from two or three ounces to as many pints. Essentially a disease of childhood, yet occasionally adults are affected.

**SYMPTOMS.** Generally commence before infant is six months old: may exist from birth. Child takes food eagerly, but does not thrive: after a few weeks extreme wasting. Appearance remarkable: emaciated body, small pale face, with a large globular cranium and overhanging forehead. Head droops helplessly on one side. Intelligence usually enfeebled. Irritability and peevishness; morbid susceptibility to noise and light; liability to epileptic convulsions; great muscular weakness. Rolling movement of eyeball, which is often prominent: perhaps strabismus, or amaurosis. Headache; nausea; constipation, with dark coloured offensive stools. Grinding of teeth. Screams on awaking.

In second stage, more stupor; pallor; slow pulse; dilatation or contraction of pupils; picking of nose and lips. In favourable cases lethargy and pallid hue and irritability gradually subside. Desire for food. Increase of muscular power. Diminution of emaciation. In unfavourable examples, excessive prostration and rapidity of pulse. Paralysis. Coma or convulsions ending in death.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic*:—Infants with tendency to hydrocephalus to be reared so as to strengthen constitution as much as possible. Nourishing food: plenty of good milk. Salt water baths: friction of skin. Residence in pure air: sea-side. Cod liver oil. Only the most gentle attempts at education.—*Curative*:—Rhubarb and magnesia. Syrup of senna. Castor oil. Mercury and chalk. Plain but nourishing food: pure milk. Cod liver oil. Glycerine. Iodide of potassium. Iodide of iron. Quinine. Bark and hypophosphite of lime or soda. Chlorate of potash. Sea-air.

Compression of head and tapping have been strongly advocated. Compression best effected by bandaging, or by application of strips of soap plaster over whole of cranium, so as to make equal pressure on every part. Where there are no symptoms of active cerebral disease, pressure will probably do good.—Puncture is performed with a small trocar and canula at coronal suture, about an inch and a half from anterior fontanelle, so as to avoid longitudinal sinus. The fluid is to be evacuated slowly; and as much as will flow be allowed to come away; and gentle pressure must be kept up both during its escape and afterwards for some weeks. Only to be had recourse to when other means have failed. Has proved successful in very young children.

*Remedies sometimes used*:—Active purgatives. Leeches. Blisters.

Calomel. Corrosive sublimate. Mercurial inunction. Crude mercury, with manna and squills. Tartarated antimony. Iodine. Colchicum. Digitalis. Liquor potassæ. Acetate of potash and squills. Cold affusion. Issue in neck, or on each shoulder.

**HYDRONEPHROSIS.**—From ὕδωρ, water; νεφρός, the kidney. *Synon.* *Hydrourenal Distension; Dropsy of the Kidney.*—Sometimes congenital. May result from obstruction of ureter by calculi, tubercular or malignant deposit, pressure of tumours, &c. Kidney ultimately converted into a large pouch. Occasionally associated with suppuration of lining membrane of pelvis and calyces.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sometimes altogether absent; especially if distension be not very great, and other kidney remain healthy. Hydronephrotic tumour found in loin, reaching forwards in abdomen: may be very large, with undulating feel and fluctuation, and tender to touch. Urine often natural in quantity: contains pus, if there be associated pyelitis. Suppression of urine and uræmia where both glands are affected. Attacks of nephritic colic where there is a calculus.

**TREATMENT.** Rest. Diluents, to prevent concentration of urine. Gentle and oft-repeated manipulation, if there be an absence of tenderness, so as to force onwards obstructing body. Tapping by aspirator.

**HYDRO-PERICARDIUM.**—From ὕδωρ, water; περιкарδιον, the pericardium. *Synon.* *Hydropericarditis; Hydrops Pericardii; Hydrocardia; Dropsy of the Pericardium.*—See *Pericarditis*.

**HYDROPHOBIA.**—From ὕδωρ, water; φοβέω, to dread. *Synon.* *Phobodypsos; Rabies; Canine Madness.*—A disease caused by inoculation with the saliva of a rabid animal. Period of incubation varies from thirty days to many months. Death often occurs before the end of fourth day from commencement of symptoms.

**SYMPTOMS.** Cramps of muscles of pharynx and thorax. Spasmodic action of diaphragm. Great dread of fluids. Recurrence of paroxysms of frenzy on attempting to drink, or on exposure to a current of air. A flow of viscid saliva ("hydrophobic slaver"). Pustules under tongue. Restlessness. Anxiety. Delirium. Exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic:*—Suction of wound. Excision of bite. Exposure of wound to stream of water. Nitrate of silver. Caustic potash. Actual cautery.

*Curative:*—Chloroform. Chloral per rectum in large doses. Belladonna. Subcutaneous injections of liquor atropiæ. Hydrocyanic acid. Indian hemp. Wourali. Ice. Opium. Curara. Calabar bean. Sulphite or hyposulphite of soda or magnesia. Vinegar. Vapour baths. Iodide of potassium. Laying open cicatrix and inducing suppuration. Division of nerves leading to wound. Application of ice to spine. Transfusion of blood. Copious enemata of plain water.

*Remedies which have been employed:*—Venesection to syncope. Cupping at nape of neck. Morphia injections into veins. Vaccina-

tion. Strychnia. Galvanism. Arsenic. Iron. Turpentine. Tobacco. Calomel. Injections of warm water into veins.

**HYDRORACHIS.**—From ὕδωρ, water; ῥάχις, the spine. Synon. *Hydrorrhachia*; *Myelochysis*; *Hydrocele Spinalis*; *Dropsy of the Spine*.—The serous effusion is either within the spinal canal, or in a sac—*spina bifida*.

Usually congenital. When fluid has been present for some time, the pressure produces atrophy of cord.—See *Spina Bifida*.

**HYDROTHORAX.**—From ὕδωρ, water; θώραξ, the chest. Synon. *Hydrops Thoracis*; *Pleurorrhœa Serosa*; *Dropsy of the Chest*.—An effusion of serum, or of serum mixed with blood, into the cavity of the pleura. Usually a result of inflammation, but sometimes a true dropsical non-inflammatory effusion.—See *Pleurisy*.

**HYPERÆMIA.**—From ὑπερ, in excess; αἷμα, blood. Synon. *Plethora*; *Polycæmia*.—An excess of blood; or, a superabundance of red corpuscles, producing superfluous richness, without any increase of the other components.

**SYMPTOMS.** Lassitude. Indolence. Desire for sleep. Snoring and dreaming. Vertigo. Hæmorrhage. Distended capillaries. Full, strong, resistant pulse. Turgidity of veins.

**TREATMENT.** Restricted diet: non-nutritious substances. Active exercise. Saline purgatives, 165, 167, 169. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Liquor potassæ, 73. Liquor arsenicalis. Mercury. Tartar emetic. Blood-letting. Issues. Mineral waters of Cheltenham. Vichy. Friedrichshall.

*Abstinence from:*—Beer; wine; spirits; sugar; milk; fatty matters. Lessened amount of sleep.

**HYPERMETROPIA.**—From ὑπερ, in excess; μέτρον, measure; and ὤψ, the eye. Synon. *Over-sight*.—That condition in which the refractive power of the eye is too low, or the optic axis (antero-posterior axis) too short. Consequently when the eye is in a state of rest, parallel rays are not united upon the retina, but behind it, and only convergent rays are brought to a focus upon the latter (Soelberg Wells).

**SYMPTOMS.** A sense of heat and fulness about the eyes on reading: the print appears indistinct, and the words seem to run into each other. Distant objects not seen clearly. Eyes look smaller and flatter than in health. Dull frontal headache.

Hypermetropia is one of the causes of asthenopia, as well as of convergent strabismus. Sometimes associated with presbyopia.

**TREATMENT.** Carefully-selected convex spectacles. Glasses increasing in power will have to be gradually used until the hypermetropia is completely neutralized.

**HYPOCHONDRIASIS.**—From ὑποχονδριακός, affected in the viscera under the false ribs,—because such affection was regarded as the cause of melancholy. Synon. *Hallucinatio Hypochondriaca*;

*Anathymiasis*; *Spleen*; *Vapors*; *English Malady*; *Low Spirits*.—May be said to consist prominently of an exaggerated egoism.

**SYMPTOMS.** Frequently functional derangement, occasionally structural disease of certain organs, especially of those connected with functions of nutrition and generation. Uneasy sensations due to these dwelt upon and magnified. Spirits dejected. Patients morbidly sensitive of opinions and actions of others. Constantly dwelling on their miserable condition. Dread of internal disease, impotence, insanity, death. Want of resolution. Languid circulation. Decayed teeth. To same extent that hysteria is peculiar to female, is hypochondriasis to male sex.

**TREATMENT.** Violent purgatives injurious as a rule. Action of bowels to be maintained by exercise and proper diet. Narcotics and sedatives increase the mischief, and check secretions. If there be anemia, quinine and steel, 379. Strychnia, or nux vomica, 387, 407, 408. Phosphate of zinc and bark, 414. Hypophosphite of soda, or lime, 419. Phosphate of iron, 405. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Sulphate of manganese. Bromide of potassium. Cod liver oil. Assafoetida. Musk. Sumbul. Shower bath. Sea bathing. Turkish bath. Nourishing food. Exercise in open air. Riding on horse-back. Physical training. Gymnastics.

**HYPOSPADIAS AND EPISPADIAS.**—Hypospadias (*ὑπὸ*, under; *σπᾶξω*, to draw from), is a congenital malformation, in which the urethra opens on under surface of penis instead of at extremity of the glans.—Epispadias (*ἐπὶ*, upon; *σπᾶξω*) is that condition in which urethra terminates on dorsum of penis. Either state, when extensive, may call for an attempt at cure by a plastic operation.

**HYSTERIA.**—From *ἡστέρια*, the womb; owing to its supposed origin in this organ. Synon. *Hysteropathia*; *Asthma Uteri*; *Vapores Uterini*; *Passio Hysterica*; *Hysterica*.—A nervous disorder which occurs in paroxysms, or simulates other diseases. Attacks accompanied with an abundant secretion of urine of low specific gravity: frequently with a sense as of a ball rising in the throat (globus hystericus). Occasionally convulsions. Women from the age of puberty to the decline of menstruation most liable to it, though occasionally men are the subjects of it.

**SYMPTOMS.** Those characterising *hysteric paroxysm* or *fit* are:—Convulsive movements of trunk and limbs; beating of breasts with hands clenched, or tearing of hair or clothes; shrieks and screams, violent agitation; globus hystericus, or feeling of suffocation; attack ending with convulsive outbreaks of crying or laughter, and sometimes with hiccough. Occasionally patient falls to ground insensible and exhausted; soon recovering, tired and crying. Perhaps, but very rarely, urine is discharged involuntarily during the excitement.

Hysterical paraplegia, or hemiplegia, sometimes occurs. There may be hyperæsthesia, or increased sensibility of various parts, perhaps leading to erroneous suspicions of pleurisy, spinal disease, metritis, or ovaritis. The opposite condition—anaesthesia, or loss of

sensibility—not uncommon; sometimes lasting for many months, affecting left side more frequently than right, so that pins and needles may be thrust into substance of affected limbs or face without causing pain. Appetite for food increased, or diminished, or depraved so that most extraordinary substances are eaten.

Hysteria simulates almost all diseases. The favourite are:—Suppression of urine, stone in bladder, abdominal tumour, pleurisy, consumption, complete loss of voice, paralysis, epilepsy, and affections of spine or disease of joints. Hysterical cough, hiccough, or vomiting may prove very obstinate.

Hysterical women often have peculiar expression of countenance: fulness of upper lip, drooping of upper eyelids. Questions answered abruptly. Pains increased by pretended pressure. Catamenia often irregular: more or less profuse leucorrhœa. Hysterical paroxysms sometimes induced by pressure on one or other ovary.—Sufferings not always feigned. Perhaps generally, patient believes she is grievously afflicted. Even where pins are thrust under skin, stones placed in vagina, or food refused unless it can be obtained surreptitiously, the patient is diseased. She resorts to these practices to increase sympathy of friends.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm*:—Loosen dress. Prevent self-injury. Surround body with cool air. Ammonia to nostrils. Hand over mouth and compression of nostrils till attempts to breathe become powerful, then suddenly allow entry of air. If it can be swallowed, a draught containing a drachm of ammoniated tincture of valerian. If apparent insensibility continues, cold water douche over head and face.

*In other forms, or during intervals between fits*:—Aloetic aperients, 156, 393, 404. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and glycyrrine, 392. Strychnia and steel, 408. Zinc and nux vomica, 409. Valerianate of zinc, or ammonia, or steel, or quinine, 410. Phosphate of iron, 405. Hypophosphite of soda, 419. Bromide of potassium, 42. Cod liver oil. Ammoniated tincture of valerian and bark. Compound pill of assafoetida. Nourishing food. Exercise in open air. Moral control. Mental occupation. Shower baths. Sea bathing. Galvanism. Attention to uterine functions; checking catamenia if too abundant, promoting them if too scanty.

**HYSTERO-EPILEPSY.**—A remarkable form of Hysteria investigated and described by Charcot. Ovarian tenderness on one side, almost always present, and hemi anæsthesia of same side, with colour blindness, restriction of field of vision, and unilateral loss of smell and taste. At intervals violent convulsive attacks, beginning with epileptoid seizure, which is followed by co-ordinated movements of extreme violence, and then often by emotional manifestations, as of terror, rage, love. Paroxysms can in many cases be provoked at will by irritating some part of the surface, and can be arrested at any step *by forcible pressure on the tender ovary*. The anæsthesia and colour blindness can be removed temporarily, by the application of

certain metals, or by the magnet, or by static electricity, but usually they are transferred to the other side.

For the condition itself little can be done, as it is inherent in the nervous constitution of the patient, who are easily mesmerized or thrown into somnambulism.

**ICHORHÆMIA.**—From *ἰχρρ*, pus; *αἷμα*, blood. Synon. *Septicæmia*; *Pyæmia*; *Pyohæmia*.—A morbid condition of the blood, caused by the introduction of ichorous or putrid matters. Sometimes called *Septicæmia*, when fatal without local formations of pus, and *pyæmia* when secondary abscesses follow. In *Septicæmia* the poison is in solution; in *pyæmia* it is particulate, and the septic particles giving rise to capillary eruptions cause the abscesses.

**SYMPTOMS.** Irregular attacks of shivering. Sweating. Rapid pulse. Sallow look. Sweet hay-like odour of the breath. Diarrhœa. Dysentery. Pleurisy. Pericarditis. Peritonitis. Erysipelas. Boils. Secondary abscesses. Rapid wasting. Feebleness. Death from prostration. In *chronic* cases the symptoms come on much more gradually, and are less intense.

**TREATMENT.** Calomel? Aperients. Vapour bath. Wet sheet packing, 136. Acid sponging, 138. Perfect ventilation of sick room. Sulphurous acid gas. Beer. Wine. Brandy. Beef solution, 2. Essence of beef, 3. Bark and ammonia, 371. Quinine in large doses, 379, 386. Sulphurous acid. Sulphite of magnesia, 48. Mineral acids, 376, 377. Opium. Cold drinks. Wenham Lake ice. Fomentations. Poultices. Incisions. Leeches? Bleeding?

**ICHTHYOSIS.**—From *ἰχθῦς*, a fish. Synon. *Xeroderma Ichthyoides*; *Fishskin Disease*.—A very rare, non-contagious squamous disease. Generally congenital and most common on legs. Characterized by development, on one or more parts of body, of thick and hard and dry imbricated shining scales of dirty grey colour. Unattended by heat or pain or itching. The scales or shagreen-like flakes give rise to most unsightly appearance.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Arsenic, 52. Donovan's triple solution, 51. Red iodide of mercury and arsenic, 55. Cod liver oil. Corrosive sublimate. Solution of potash in sarsaparilla.

*Locally*:—Warm baths. Alkaline baths. Vapour baths. India-rubber bandages. Collodion. Creasote lotions. Glycerine. Cod liver oil. Neat's foot oil. Friction with olive oil.

**ICTERUS.**—From *ἰκτερος*, a yellow bird (probably the Lorient Oriolus Flavus); because it was thought that patients affected with jaundice were cured by looking at this bird. Synon. *Morbus Arcuatus*; *Morbus Regius*; *Cholæmia*; *Fellis Superfusio*.—See *Jaundice*.

**IMPETIGO.**—From *Impeto*, to attack; terminal *-igo*. Synon. *Pydracia*; *Crusted* or *Running Scall*; *Pustular* or *Humid Tetter*.—A severe inflammation of the skin, sometimes contagious &

inoculation of purulent discharge; characterized by an eruption of small hemispheroidal, or flattened pustules, most frequently grouped in clusters, and forming thick yellowish scabs or incrustations. From beneath incrustations a discharge flows: crusts get thicker and larger, and fall off, leaving raw surfaces.

**VARIETIES.** *Impetigo figurata* occurs generally on face, especially the cheeks. Attended with constitutional disturbance, and swelling of lymphatic glands. Pustules arranged in round or oval groups: as they burst and form scabs, heat and itching become intolerable. In children, impetiginous eruption sometimes covers head or face like a mask, and is called *crusta lactea*: sometimes due to pediculi. *Impetigo sparsa* characterized by scattered pustules; perhaps irregularly distributed over a limb, or even entire body.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Arsenic, 52, 381. Red iodide of mercury and arsenic, 55. Cod liver oil. Steel and aloes, 154. Steel and sulphate of magnesia, 166. Potash and lime-water, 73. Iodide of potassium. Colchicum. Plain nourishing food.

*Locally*:—Vapour or warm water baths. Conium and starch bath, 122. Hydrocyanic acid lotion, 263. Subacetate of lead and glycerine lotion, 264. Creasote lotion, 270. Oxide of zinc ointment. Use of linen dipped in melted suet. Lime liniment. Creasote and red oxide of mercury ointment, 301. Diluted citrine ointment, 305. Whatever ointment used careful removal of scabs necessary. Nitrate of silver. Iodine. Borax. Sulphur. Hairs to be cut close to scalp, if head or beard be attacked. Early puncture of pustules.

**IMPOTENCE AND STERILITY.**—The term *Impotence* (from *In*, neg.; *possum*, to be able) may be applied to every morbid state in either sex, which prevents the seminal fluid of the male coming into contact with the female ovule.—On the other hand, *Sterility* (from *Στείρος*, barren) is that condition in which either no spermatozoa or ovules are secreted, or their vitality is immediately destroyed. Another definition of impotence is incompetence for sexual intercourse; of sterility, inability to produce offspring.

**1. Impotence in Man.**—The act of copulation may be rendered impossible by many causes:—By absence, or want of development, or malformation, or mutilation of penis.—By mental influences,—violent emotion, passion, over-excited desire, want of confidence, anxiety, grief, disgust; this form most curable by tact and skill on part of physician (see *Montaigne's Essays*, Book I. chap. xx.).—By fevers and other severe diseases, sexual organs remaining feeble after general health is restored; curable by ferruginous tonics, nux vomica, sumbul, cantharides, Indian hemp, hypophosphite of lime or soda, sea-bathing, nourishing food, and stimulating liniments or gentle galvanism to spine.—By injuries to back part of head,—from falls, blows, *railway accidents*, &c.; there being generally incurable loss of power *and wasting of testes and penis*.—By injuries and diseases of spinal cord; which remove the power to copulate, though desire remains



and semen may be secreted.—By excessive use of tobacco, which impairs digestion and weakens nervous and muscular systems; opium-eating injurious in same way.—By abuse of sexual functions removing the power of erection,—onanism, excessive intercourse (see *Spermatorrhœa*).—By excessive obesity; large scrotal herniæ.

**2. Impotence in Woman.**—May be due to:—Firm adhesions of labia pudendi.—Excessively developed and persistent hymen.—Absence, malformation, or an impervious condition of vagina (see *Vaginal Occlusion*).—Obliteration of this canal through inflammation.—A double vagina impedes but does not prevent copulation.—Supersensitiveness, with spasmodic closure of vagina (see *Vaginismus*).—Tumours of vagina, or uterine tumours which have passed into vaginal canal.—Uterine cancer, even when vagina is involved, impedes but does not prevent intercourse and fecundation.

**3. Sterility in Man.**—May arise from:—Certain diseases, as tuberculosis, diabetes, albuminuria, some forms of obstinate dyspepsia: in advanced stages, secretion of seminal fluid usually stopped.—Some cerebral defect, owing to which the functions of testicles have never been called into play.—Diseases of testicles,—tumours, syphilitic sarcocele, cancer, repeated attacks of inflammation, and varicocele; though as only one gland is usually affected, these conditions rarely produce sterility.—Malposition of testes, these organs being retained in abdominal cavity; copulation being feasible with these cryptorchids but the semen ejaculated being destitute of spermatozoa.—Obstructions in the excretory ducts of testicle; such as temporary or permanent obstruction after epididymitis, power of copulating remaining but ejaculated fluid being destitute of spermatozoa.—Obliteration of ejaculatory canals from abscesses near prostate or from lithotomy, leading to atrophy of testes. Impediments to escape of semen; such as stricture of urethra, in which ejaculated fluid regurgitates into bladder.—Abnormal openings in urethra (hypospadias and epispadias), so that the semen is not ejaculated into vagina.—Abuse of tobacco and opium and alcoholic drinks, as well as a syphilitic taint, may destroy vitality of spermatozoa.

**4. Sterility in Woman.**—May arise from; Elongation of cervix uteri. Engorgement, or induration, of labia uteri. Obliteration, obstruction, or great narrowing of os uteri or cervical canal; closure of uterine cavity by tumours, cancer, &c.—Malposition of uterus,—acute retroflexion and antelexion.—Inflammatory affections of uterus.—Occlusion of Fallopian tubes; disease of their fimbriated extremities.—Irremediable procidentia of uterus.—Large vesico-vaginal, or recto-vaginal fistulæ, or complete rupture of perineum, allowing improper escape of seminal fluid. Amenorrhœa.—Exhaustion or excessive general weakness.—Too frequent or imperfect sexual excitement; self-abuse.—Indifference to sexual act, or a restraint of the orgasm?—Absence, arrest of development, or disease of ovaries; only a relative, not absolute cause, as both glands are seldom diseased at same time.—Leucorrhœa, especially when

the discharge is abundant and acrid; by causing destruction of the spermatozoa before they reach an ovule.—Syphilitic taint occasionally destroys vitality of ovules.

For the treatment of impotence and sterility refer to the different diseases of the sexual organs under their appropriate heads.

**INDIGESTION.**—From *In*, neg.; *digero*, to concoct or digest.—See *Dyspepsia*.

**INFLAMMATION.**—From *Inflammo*, to burn. Synon. *Phlogosis*; *Phlegmasia*; *Hyperhæmatisis*.—Sometimes a destructive, sometimes a formative, process; consisting essentially of local congestion and stagnation (stasis) of blood, with exudation of liquor sanguinis, emigration of white corpuscles, and proliferation of these and of cell elements of part.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain. Swelling. Heat. Redness. Blood when drawn becomes puffed and cupped. Diminution of red corpuscles, and increase of fibrin: Perhaps an increase of colourless corpuscles. Rise in temperature of the blood. Symptomatic fever. Depression. Rigors. Frequency of pulse. Headache. Thirst. Loss of appetite. Furred tongue. Diminution of chlorides in the urine. Increased excretion of urea. Sweating. Hectic fever. Excessive wasting. Prostration.

**VARIETIES AND RESULTS.** Adhesive inflammation. Suppuration. Ulceration. Sloughing. Gangrene. Hæmorrhage.

**TREATMENT.** *Generally*.—Withdrawal of cause. Repose. Well-ventilated sick room. Light diet. Ice and cold drinks. Tea. Milk. Belladonna. Henbane. Aconite. Opium. Salines, 348, 349, 351, &c. Aperients. Acid tartrate of potash. Citrate of potash. Colchicum. Carbonate of ammonia. Wine or brandy.

*Locally*.—Fomentations. Poultices. Water-dressing. Ice. Evaporating lotions. Baths. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes.

*Antiphlogistic remedies*.—Bleeding. Leeches. Cupping. Emetics. Drastic purgatives. Antimony. Mercury. Digitalis. Veratrum viride. Blisters. Setons. Issues. Low diet.

**INFLUENZA.**—From the Italian, *Influenza*; because the phenomena were thought to be due to the influence of the stars. Synon. *Rheuma Epidemicum*; *Defluxio Catarrhalis*; *Epidemic Catarrhal Fever*; *La Grippe* (in France).—An epidemic disorder attended with great depression, chilliness, running from eyes and nose, frontal headache, cough, restlessness, and fever.—Probably due to some peculiar condition of atmosphere, but spread by contagion.

**SYMPTOMS.** Shivering or sense of chilliness down the back, followed by heat and dryness of skin. Urgent frontal headache: aching pains about eyes. Coryza, and sneezing. Tenderness of fauces. Hoarseness. Harassing cough, and shortness of breath. Pains in *back and limbs*. Perverted taste, with disordered stomach. In addition, *all the signs of nervous and muscular prostration*. Occasionally, *acute bronchitis, or pneumonia*. Runs its course in less than a week:

often ends in diarrhoea, or diuresis, or profuse sweating; often fatal in aged or debilitated, especially when lungs diseased.

**TREATMENT.** Rest in bed for first three days, in properly ventilated room. Barley water. Cold infusion of linseed, lemonade, soda water, raspberry vinegar, &c. Tea and milk. Mutton or chicken broths. In mild cases, drugs unnecessary.—*If catarrhal symptoms are urgent:*—Ipecacuanha and conium. Henbane. Ethereal tincture of lobelia. Powder of ipecacuan and opium (gr. 10 at night). Indian sarsaparilla with infusion of linseed, 243. Spirit of nitrous ether with camphorated tincture of opium, 348. Inhalation of simple vapours. Iodine, lime water, belladonna, or conium spray, 262. Sinapisms to chest. Vapour, or hot air, bath.—*When prostration is a prominent symptom:*—Ammonia and bark, 371. Extract of beef, 1. Wine, or brandy. Brandy and egg mixture, 17.—*During convalescence:*—Bark and phosphoric acid, 376. Quinine and iron, 380. Cod liver oil. Nourishing diet: substitution of milk for tea and coffee. A few days' holiday in the country.

**INSANITY.**—From *In*, neg.; *sanus*, reasonable. Synon. *Mental Alienation; Unsound Mind; Deranged Intellect; Madness.*—No useful definition of insanity can be given. Speaking roughly, it may be said,—That it is a general term used to express the mental condition opposed to sanity; sanity being that state of mind which enables a man to discharge his duties to his God, his neighbour, and himself.

**WARNINGS.** Indications of impending cerebral mischief often to be detected by physician some months before they attract notice of patient or his friends. Cerebral affections not developed suddenly: often rendered incurable by neglect of treatment in early stages. Threatenings which should excite alarm are:—Headache, severe and frequent; attacks of giddiness and mental confusion; change of disposition; paroxysms of irritability, and loss of temper without sufficient cause; unfounded suspicions; inaptitude for usual occupations; weariness of life; sleeplessness, or lethargy; loss of memory; some marked deviation from usual line of conduct; defective articulation; dimness of sight; flightiness of manner; sufferer feels that he is not quite right, but does not like to consult a physician. He shuns his old friends; is tortured with blasphemous or obscene thoughts; has frightful dreams; frequently suffers from dyspepsia.

**COMPLICATIONS.** Mental diseases often accompanied with symptoms of a variety of bodily disorders. Of all forms of insanity those complicated with general paralysis, or with epilepsy, are the most terrible.

*Insanity with General Paralysis:*—An affection sui generis. Sometimes spoken of as "general paralysis"; "general paresis"; or, more appropriately, as "progressive paralysis of the insane."—Due probably to sclerosis of grey matter of cortex of brain; membranes adherent, grey laminæ thin and firm.—Paralytic lunatics seldom live more than from one to three years.—The paralysis may come on in a person not previously insane, or in the course of any variety of mental

disease, increasing as power of mind diminishes. The first indication is exaltation of ideas, the sufferer is rich or in high position, or wonderfully strong; sometimes great depravity; with mental change there will be usually an impediment to movements of tongue; trembling of lips; articulation muffled and imperfect. As this impediment increases, there come on tottering, uncertain, and vacillating movements in walking: sometimes impairment of locomotion precedes other symptoms. Handwriting gets changed. A heavy vacant look. Intelligence and judgment greatly lessened. Fits of irritability, hallucinations, and illusions. Loss of memory. Debasement of moral character. Pulse gets frequent and feeble. Tongue on being protruded curves tremulously from side to side. Pupils often of unusual size, and their mobility lessened. Pulse small and long, and vascular tension unduly great. Excretions escape involuntarily, either from want of attention, or from paralysis of sphincters. Apoplecticiform seizures, attended with convulsions or coma, sometimes followed by hemiplegia not uncommon; though they generally pass off after use of stimulating enemata, and removal of any collection of hardened feces.—As disease progresses, patients become unable to articulate a single word; they continually grind their teeth; their weakness such that they cannot walk or stand; all traces of intelligence get abolished; they remain motionless and insensible, their torpid existence being reduced to a kind of slow death.—Calabar bean has appeared to be of great service, but generally all that can be done with remedies is to give sleep, relieve painful symptoms, and support strength. Henbane, in twenty-grain doses, may be useful. Nourishing diet. Warmth. Cleanliness. Attention to bowels and bladder.

*Insanity with Epilepsy*.—Always incurable. Conduct of insane epileptics most ferocious; homicidal, or suicidal. Filthy and disgusting in their habits. Residence in a well-ordered asylum does much to induce a certain amount of mental tranquility. Good diet, and daily exercise, contribute to physical improvement. Bromide of potassium is said to reduce the frequency of the fits, and to soothe nervous irritability. If early death do not result, disease usually subsides into incurable dementia.

**VARIETIES.** Differences between various forms of insanity always imperfectly marked. Descriptions in books extraordinarily distinct, compared with medley of symptoms in real cases. Various forms frequently run into each other.

(1) *Mania* (*Maloumai*, to rage), or *raving madness*.—Characterized by general delirium. Reasoning faculty, if not lost, is disturbed and confused. Ideas abundant, erroneous, absurd, wandering. Manner violent, excited, mischievous.

Rarely comes on suddenly, though it does so more frequently than other varieties. Premonitory symptoms:—Neglect of family and business. Distrust of relatives. Causeless attacks of anger and *despondency*. *Insomnia*. Constipation.—Disease sets in with *general delirium*, and extreme fury. Tendency to suicide. Shouting, howling, laughing, reciting, &c., for hours together: angry, furious, destructive, ceaseless movements. Weakness, exhaustion, emaciation.

Want of sleep. Aversion to food. Incontinence of urine.—Recovery preceded by sleep, desire for food, with a gradual cessation of agitation and delirium.

(2) *Monomania* (*Μόνος*, alone; *μαλνομαι*, to be furious,—irrationality on one subject only), or *partial insanity*:—That form in which the understanding is deranged to a certain degree, or is under the influence of some one particular delusion. Mind, vigorous: ideas, few, erroneous, fixed, not under control. Manner, in accordance with predominant idea. A false principle seized upon, which is pursued logically, and from which legitimate consequences are deduced. Thus, a monomaniac insists that his body is made of glass; and impressed with this idea he takes care to avoid rough handling, lest he should be broken. Or, in belief that he is a divine instrument of vengeance, he may commit murder. Aside from his partial delirium, he will reason and act like other men; so that the insanity is often difficult of detection.

There are particular forms of monomania:—*Melancholia* (*Μέλας*, black; *χολή*, bile), or *lypemia* (*λύπη*, sadness; *μανία*, is characterized by fear, moroseness, and great despondency; an unwillingness to move, talk, or take food, &c.—In *autophomania* (*Αὐτοφόνος*, a self-murderer) there is a desire for suicide; to effect which, melancholics will take most extraordinary steps.—In *androphomania* (*ἄνθρωπος*, a man; *φονεύω*, to kill) there is an uncontrollable tendency to murder.—*Pyromania* (*Πῦρ*, fire) is marked by a propensity to set buildings on fire.—An irresistible desire to steal is known as *kleptomania* (*κλέπτω*, to steal).—In *erotomania* (*ἔρως*, love) amatory delusions rule, just as religious delusions predominate in *theomania* (*θεός*, God), or religious melancholy. Erotomania may be an excessive degree of a chaste and honourable affection; or it may be combined with *nymphomania* (*νύμφη*, the nympha) in women, or with *satyriasis* (*σατύριος*, a satyr) in men. In all forms of erotomania there is a great mental and bodily depression; women suffer most frequently, especially the single; and the phenomena are often connected with some disease of sexual organs.

(3) *Dementia* (*De*, priv.; *mens*, the mind), *incoherence*:—That condition in which weakness of intellect, induced by accident or age, is the prominent feature. Mind, altogether feeble; ideas confused, vague, wandering; memory much impaired. Patients ignorant of time, place, quantity, property, &c.: forget immediately what they have just seen or heard. Manners undecided, childish, and silly. The demented have neither affections nor aversions, nor care for anything. Paroxysms of restlessness and excitement. Little or no control over bladder and rectum. In last stage, complete paralysis.

*Acute dementia* sometimes comes on suddenly in the young from shock or anxiety, &c. Patient lies in bed, takes no notice, refuses food, passes excretions under him. Mental faculties apparently in abeyance. Pupils large. May be cured by feeding and moral influence.

(4) *Idiocy* (*ἰδιότης*, a simpleton):—Characterized by partial or complete absence of intellect, owing to congenital imperfection

of brain. Mind, not developed: ideas simple or few. Manners foolish; transient gusts of passion. Head small or misshapen. Countenance vacant. Articulation and gait often imperfect, and perhaps saliva dribbling. Occasionally, the idiot is a blind deaf-mute.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic*.—Rest of mind, or change of occupation: proper amount of sleep. Attention to functions of sexual system, skin, liver, kidneys, alimentary canal. Removal of any bodily disorder.—Henbane. Stramonium. Indian hemp. Digitalis. Morphia, or opium. Bromide of potassium. Chloroform. Quinine and steel. Syrup of phosphate of iron. Phosphate of zinc. Bark. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food: milk: stimulants with discretion. Change of air and scene.

*Curative*.—All antiphlogistic remedies badly borne. Removal of other disorders,—skin diseases, uterine disturbances, syphilitic taints, gastric and intestinal disturbances, &c. Then, in ordinary forms of insanity, a nutritious diet; warm clothing; out-door occupations and amusements; cheerful recreation. Sleep at night to be procured by sedatives. Healthy evacuations to be obtained from bowels by vegetable alteratives, and mild aperients. General strength to be improved by tonics. All bad habits, as onanism, to be prevented. Gentle and slow attempts to revive affections, and strengthen bewildered intellect. Baths often useful,—douche, shower, warm, or Turkish. Where food is refused, any derangement of stomach or bowels to be removed, and healthy evacuations procured; this failing, forced alimentation, with stomach pump, will be required. All harshness and mechanical restraint to be avoided. Unfortunate patient's confidence to be obtained; every promise that is made must be kept; as much indulgence as possible to be allowed.

Restraint in a well-managed asylum, often necessary to enable treatment to be effectually carried out; imperatively called for, when patient has suicidal or homicidal tendencies.

**INTERCOSTAL NEURALGIA.** — Neuralgia (*Νεύρον*, a nerve; *ἄλγος*, pain) may affect the intercostal, as it does the other nerves of body. Chlorotic and hysterical women most liable to it. Sometimes occurs in Bright's disease, phthisis, &c., after herpes zoster. Must not be confounded with neuritis, or with pleurisy.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain of a dull and continued aching character, or sharp and paroxysmal. Sometimes lasts for weeks. Most frequently located in sixth, seventh, eighth, or ninth nerves of left side. Follows course of nerves (anterior primary branches of dorsal), extending from anterior part of thoracic wall directly backwards to vertebræ. One or two painful spots sometimes detected on pressure. Occasionally cutaneous hyperæsthesia of whole mammary or infra-mammary region. Debility. No febrile symptoms. In women, catamenia may be irregular: leucorrhœa.

**TREATMENT.** Quinine and aconite, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. *Steel and arsenic*, 399. Cod liver oil. Belladonna and aconite liniment, 281. Strips of belladonna plaster completely round thorax.

Flannel bandage. Subcutaneous injection of morphia or atropine, if there are one or more sensitive spots, 314. Nourishing food. Malt liquors or wine.

**INTERMITTENT FEVER OR AGUE.**—From *Intermitto*, to give over for a time. Synon. *Periodic Fever*. Sometimes termed *Paludal fever*, from *Palus*, a fen or marsh. Endemic. Chiefly due to marsh miasms, or emanations from soil, and not communicable from one individual to another. Characterized by febrile paroxysms, which are ushered in by rigors, and end in a critical sweat. During the remission there is good health; but at the end of a definite interval the phenomena are repeated, and this happens again and again until a cure is effected.

Three species of intermittent fever or ague—viz., *Quotidian*, *Tertian*, and *Quartan*. Tertian most common in this country; quotidian in India. When the paroxysm occurs at same hour every day, it is called quotidian ague; when every other day, tertian, though secundan would be more appropriate; and when absent for two whole days, and then recurrent, quartan. In first species the interval is twenty-four hours; in second, forty-eight; in third, seventy-two. The time between commencement of one paroxysm and beginning of next is termed the *interval*: that between termination of one paroxysm and commencement of next, the *intermission*. In quotidiens the paroxysm occurs, for most part, in morning; in tertian, at noon; in quartans, in afternoon. The first is most common in spring; the second, in spring and autumn; the third, in autumn.

**SYMPTOMS.** An ague fit is composed of three stages,—the cold, hot, and sweating. The first has a duration varying from 30 minutes to 3 or 4 hours: the second rarely last less than 3 or more than 12 hours: while the third continues a few hours, and ends in complete relief. Patient comparatively well during interval.—Enlargement of spleen always present: in chronic ague becomes permanently hypertrophied—*ague cake*. Disturbance of liver and digestive organs, and sometimes chronic desquamative nephritis, consequence of repeated attacks. Chronic ague induces extreme anæmia which may be attended with œdema.

**TREATMENT.** *General rules*:—Removal from malarious district. Nourishing diet with stimulants. Aperients, or emetics, if bowels or stomach be loaded. Bicarbonate of soda or potash, with a few drops of tincture of belladonna, if bladder be irritable.

*In cold stage*:—Warm diluent drinks, as weak tea, white wine whey, or negus. External warmth by blankets, hot bottles to feet, hot air baths.

*In hot stage*:—Cooling drinks. Sponging with tepid or cold water. Light coverings. *In sweating stage*:—Diluents freely. Repose.

*Curative remedies*:—Quinine; 2 or 3 grains to be given every six or eight hours during the intermission, in acid infusion of roses; or a single large dose, 10 or 15 grains, just before rigor expected. In *Indian intermittents*, 10 or 20 or 30 grains of quinine during sweating

stage. Subcutaneous injection of quinine, 379. Arsenic, 52. Salicin. Warburg's tincture. Sulphate of beberia.

*To reduce the Spleen* :—Quinine and iron, 380. Bromide of potassium, 42. Cod liver oil. Friction with ointment of red iodide of mercury diluted with an equal quantity of lard. Iodide of potassium ointment. Compound ointment of iodine.

**INTESTINAL CONCRETIONS.**—Synon. *Alvine Calculi*; *Intestinal Calculi*.—Calculous concretions very rare in human intestines, compared with their frequency in large ruminating animals. In man, they are more common in cæcum and colon than in other portions of alimentary canal. *Bezoars* consist chiefly of imperfectly crystallized earthy salts and indigestible fibrous matters or husks of oats arranged in concentric layers round a nucleus—a gall-stone or any foreign body. Other concretions may consist solely of hardened fæces, with the phosphates of lime and magnesia; or of chalk or carbonate of magnesia, where these substances have been largely taken; or of hair, cotton, or paper when a depraved appetite has led to the consumption of either; or of gall-stones with layers of inspissated mucus and fæcal matter. Either kind may gradually increase in size, until there is complete obstruction of the gut. In fortunate cases, concretions have been expelled by vomiting or passed at stool. When situated in the rectum, they can be removed by the scoop. If one or more can be felt through the abdominal parietes, producing obstruction, an incision into intestine has been recommended, all other plans failing.

**INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION.**—Synon. *Ileus* (from *Ειλέω*, to twist or contract); *Ileac Passion*; *Colique de Miséricorde*; *Volvulus* (*Volvo*, to turn or roll itself round about.)

**CAUSES.** Excluding examples of inguinal and femoral and umbilical hernia, the causes are :—

- (1) *Intermural*, or those originating in and implicating mucous and muscular coats of intestinal walls :—
  - a. Cancerous stricture, most common in sigmoid flexure of colon and in rectum.
  - b. Non-cancerous stricture, comprising—
    1. Contractions of cicatrices following ulceration.
    2. Contractions of walls of intestine from inflammation, non-cancerous deposit, or injury.
  - c. Intussusception: ileum and cæcum most commonly protruded into colon.
  - d. Intussusception associated with polypi.
- (2) *Extramural*, or those causes acting from without, or affecting the serous covering :—
  - a. Bands and adhesions from effusion of lymph.
  - b. Twists or displacements.
  - c. *Diverticula*.
  - d. *External tumours or abscesses*.
  - e. *Mesocolic and mesenteric hernia*.



- f.* Diaphragmatic and foramen of Winslow hernia.
- g.* Omental hernia.
- h.* Obturator and ischiatic and perineal hernia.
- (3) *Intramural*, or obstructions produced by lodgment of foreign substances:—
  - a.* Foreign bodies, hardened fæces, concretions having for nuclei gall-stones, &c.

Of these the most common and the most important is intussusception, which occurs most frequently in children, the symptoms being sudden occurrence of abdominal pain, constipation, and vomiting, with passage of blood by the bowel, and collapse. Usually an elongated, sausage-like tumour is found at the seat of the invagination, and sometimes the invaginated bowel can be felt in the rectum.

**SYMPTOMS OF INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION.** Chief symptoms constipation, followed by constant vomiting: at first of mucus and contents of stomach, but in a few days of fæcal matter (stercoraceous vomiting). Pain, often very severe. Tympanites, unless occlusion be high up, with violent borborygmi. Hiccough, especially in strangulation of upper part of small intestines. Mental depression. Palpation often detects increased fulness just above obstruction: more marked diminution of resonance at this point than elsewhere. Early prostration. Acute peritonitis commonly occurs in a few days. Gangrene most frequent in intussusception and obturator hernia. The lower the obstruction, the less urgent the vomiting, and the longer the time before it commences. When the obstruction is in the large intestine, the vomiting may be delayed for many days. The higher the obstruction the earlier the vomiting, and the greater the diminution in the quantity of urine.

**TREATMENT.** *When diagnosis is doubtful:*—Castor oil. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. Croton oil enema, 191.

*Directly it is certain a mechanical obstruction exists:*—Purgatives injurious. Extract of opium (gr. 1 every four, six, or eight hours). Opium and belladonna, 344. Subcutaneous injection of atropine, 314.—Fomentations. Linseed poultices, with application of belladonna and opium, 297.—In urgent cases no food by the mouth, strength sustained by nutrient enemata. When less urgent food and fluids in very small quantity. Ice. Frozen milk. Lime water and milk, 14. Tea and cream. Brandy and water. Essence of beef, 3. Eggs, cream, and extract of beef, 5. Brandy and egg mixture, 17.—Hot baths. Enemata of large quantities of fluid, with manipulation of intestines by pressure on them through abdominal walls. In intussusception, inflation with air by means of bellows while under chloroform. When tympanites extreme, puncture with fine trocar and canula or hollow needle. Gastrotomy.

**INTESTINAL PERFORATION.**—The intestine may be perforated owing to:—(1) Disease in coats of bowel,—as in typhoid fever, inflammation of cæcum, dysentery, ulcer or cancer of stomach or intestines, &c. (2) From extension of ulceration in disease of adjacent

organs,—as in hydatids and abscess of liver, calculi in gall-bladder, ovarian tumours, extra-uterine pregnancy, ovarian abscess, pelvic cellulitis, cancer of uterus or vagina, and suppuration in abdominal parietes.

**INTESTINAL WORMS.**—Seven principal entozoa (*ἔντοζα*, within; *ζῶον*, an animal) may be found inhabiting intestinal canal:—*Tricocephalus dispar*, or long thread-worm; *Ascaris lumbricoides*, or large round-worm; *Oxyuris vermicularis*, or small thread-worm; *Sclerostoma duodenale*, unknown in this country; *Tænia solium*, or common tape-worm; *Tænia mediocanellata*, or hookless tape-worm; and *Bothriocephalus latus*, or broad tape-worm, almost peculiar to inhabitants of Switzerland, Russia, and Poland.

**SYMPTOMS.** Colicky pains and swelling of abdomen. Picking of nose. Itching of rectum and fundament. Foulness of breath. Irregularity of bowels. Grinding of teeth at night. Frequent feeling of malaise. Voracious or impaired appetite. Only conclusive sign,—passage of worms, or of joints of them, in stools.—From reflex irritation, epileptic attacks or chorea may occur.

**TREATMENT.**—*For tape-worms*:—Liquid extra of fern root, 187. Kouso, 184. Kamela, 182. Decoction of pomegranate root, 159.

*For round-worms*:—Santonin. *For either kind*:—Oil of turpentine, 183. Calomel with scammony or jalap, 159. Garlic (*Allium sativum*). Oil of rue. Assafœtida. Oxide of silver. Spigelia. Veratria. Chloride of tin. Sulphur. Gamboge. Croton oil. Cowhage (*Mucuna pruriens*). Common salt.

*For thread-worms*:—Calomel with scammony or jalap for three successive nights, to dislodge them from cæcum. Then enemata of cold water; lime water or infusion of quassia, to kill or remove them from rectum. Steel and quassia, 192; common salt, 188; spirit of ether (min. xv. to each ounce of water); olive oil, 159. Santonin, 185.

*To prevent recurrence*:—Avoidance of raw and underdone animal food, especially pork; as well as of imperfectly washed raw vegetables. Steel and sulphate of soda, 180. Quinine, rhubarb, and hop, 370. Infusions of chamomile, chiretta, quassia, or rhubarb. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel, glycerine, and quassia, 392. Compound iron mixture and aloes, 393. Extract of nux vomica, 175. Phosphate of iron, 405. Steel, hydrochloric acid and quassia, 397. Ammonia iron-alum, 116. Glycerine. Cod liver oil. Extract of wormwood (*Artemisia absinthium*). Oil of stink wood (*Chenopodium anthelminticum*).—See *Entozoa*.

**INTRA-THORACIC TUMOURS.**—May be aneurismal; or consisting of cancer, sarcoma, enlarged glands, abscess, fibrous tissue, or of fatty or steatomatous matter. Discarding aneurisms, these tumours usually have their origin in the glandular structures, and are developed in the mediastina.

**SYMPTOMS.** Chiefly due to pressure exerted on heart and lungs, or on the nerves and vessels. Hence, tumour often considerable before it interferes with circulation or respiration.

*General symptoms*.—Will vary with situation, character, and rate of growth of tumours, and will be some of the following:—More or less pain; restlessness; cough; dyspnoea, or even orthopnoea; frothy or viscid expectoration; palpitation; hoarseness; frequently dysphagia; sometimes hæmoptysis. Pleurisy with effusion, bronchitis, pneumonia, laryngitis, or tracheitis may arise from constant irritation. Pulmonary collapse may be caused by pressure. Bulging or even perforation, of ribs and sternum. Displacement of heart. Impediment to circulation through aorta, or through superior or inferior vena cava. Spasm or paralysis of laryngeal muscles from pressure on recurrent laryngeal nerves. Dulness on percussion more marked as growth protrudes into anterior mediastinum. Auscultatory signs vary according to nature of secondary complications.

*In primary cancer* involving root of lung, inflammatory condensation of pulmonary tissue, with disorganization and abscess may result early. These changes probably due to tumour involving and destroying all or a greater part of pulmonary nerves as they pass off from root of lung.

Death takes place slowly in mediastinal tumour generally. The pain, want of sleep, loss of appetite, dyspnoea, &c., weaken patient. Anæmia, followed by anasarca, sets in. Sometimes sudden death from hæmorrhage, thrombosis, or spasm of glottis.

*TREATMENT.* All that can be done is to palliate symptoms. Temporary relief may be given by,—Diuretics and aperients. Antispasmodics,—Ether, chloroform, belladonna, aconite, stramonium, opium, &c. Iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of ammonium, 38. Chlorate of potash, 61. Dry cupping. Inunction with red iodide of mercury ointment, 302. Iodine and cod liver oil ointment, 308. Iodide of cadmium ointment, 311. Venesection to six or eight ounces, if symptoms of pulmonary or cardiac congestion predominate.

**INTUSSUSCEPTION.**—From *Intus*, within; *suscipio*, to carry. Synon. *Invagination* (*In*, within; *vagina*, a sheath).—That condition in which one part of the bowel is drawn into another portion, just as the finger of a glove is pulled within itself. Owing to the congestion, effusion, and inflammation which result, the canal of the bowel gets more or less obstructed.

The intussusception may be single or multiple; the traction is usually from above downwards; in about half the cases, ileum invaginated through ileo-cæcal valve into cæcum and cæcum protruded into colon: most common in young children and aged persons.

*SYMPTOMS.* The chief are sudden violent pains; sickness; obstinate constipation; collapse; discharges of blood and mucus per anum. Spontaneous reduction may take place. In less fortunate cases inflammation of peritoneal coats of involved portion usually sets in between third and seventh days; opposed surfaces becoming adherent. Inflammatory action may end in gangrene; several inches of included sphacelated bowel coming away by stool, and leaving canal of gut free. Usually fatal.

*TREATMENT.* See *Intestinal Obstruction*.

**IRIS, Diseases of.**—From *Iris*, the rainbow,—any object supposed to resemble a rainbow. Suspended (like a curtain with a circular aperture in its centre) between the cornea and crystalline lens, and bathed on both sides by aqueous humour, the iris serves to regulate amount of light admitted to retina. By it, the cavity containing aqueous humour is divided into an anterior and a posterior chamber. —Iris composed of delicate bundles of fibrous tissue, of circular and radiating involuntary muscular fibres, and of pigment cells. Sometimes absent; or only present in a rudimentary form, a condition known as *Irideremia*.—In *Albinism* the iris is of a rose colour, while pupils present a deep red appearance owing to absence of opaque pigment (uvea).—In *Coloboma* the two halves of the iris have failed to unite, in consequence of arrest of development, so that pupil has an elongated form.

**1. Acute Inflammation (Iritis).**—Synon. *Iriditis*; *Inflammatio Iridis*.—The iris is seldom alone attacked; sclerotic and deep-seated textures of eye generally also involved. Hence, objections have been raised to use of term Iritis; its employment “has the effect of directing the practitioner’s attention to the iris, which bears a great deal of inflammation without destruction to the organ, and withdrawing it from the retina, which bears very little without permanent injury to vision.” (Jacob.)

**SYMPTOMS.** In first stage, iris presents a confused appearance, owing to its fibrous texture becoming indistinct; loses its contractile power, and undergoes a change in colour. Sclerotic becomes vascular. In next stage, fibrin effused on surface of iris, and in anterior chamber. If inflammation proceed, pupil may get closed, or its margin become adherent to capsule of lens; or cornea may be rendered opaque; or permanent opacity of lens or its capsule may result.

The important symptoms may be thus enumerated:—(1) Zonular scleritis; fine hair-like vessels, running radially in sclerotic coat, towards edge of cornea, giving rise to a pink zone round cornea. (2) Discolouration of iris. If naturally blue, it becomes greenish; if dark coloured, reddish. This the result of increased vascularity, or of effusion of lymph into its substance, or on its posterior surface. (3) Contraction, irregularity, and immobility of pupil. (4) Effusion of coagulable lymph into pupil and posterior chamber, and occasionally into anterior chamber. (5) Adhesions of iris, and especially of pupillary edge, to capsule of lens; in some rare cases, to cornea. (6) Tubercles, pustules, or small abscesses of iris. (7) Dimness of sight, and sometimes total blindness. (8) Pain in eye, and nocturnal circumorbital pain. (Mackenzie.)

Not to be supposed that in every case all the foregoing symptoms will be met with: rather a certain number of them will be found, sufficient to render diagnosis certain. Constitutional disturbance well marked, though not generally severe.

If inflammation be not checked, it creeps on, involves choroid coat and retina, and, spoiling delicate texture of latter, completely destroys

sight for ever.—When one eye has been permanently injured, especially when any foreign body lodged in it, sympathetic subacute inflammation is not unfrequently set up in the sound organ at the end of some months, or even in the course of a few days, which may go on to produce complete destruction. To prevent this it is often necessary to remove the eye which was first damaged.

The chief *causes* are:—Exposure to cold and wet, giving rise to rheumatic or idiopathic iritis; syphilis, causing syphilitic iritis; injuries and wounds producing traumatic iritis; and certain conditions of the constitution, especially the scrofulous, rheumatic, and gouty.

Syphilitic iritis is perhaps the most common. May occur at all ages. Usually attended with other effects of constitutional syphilis. At first, redness is less severe than in rheumatic form; there is seldom any haziness of cornea, as in rheumatic iritis; iris often assumes a rusty colour, especially near pupillary edge.

Patient to be kept quiet, preferably in darkened room, and with eye protected from light.—*The pupil to be kept dilated* (in order to prevent iris from forming adhesions with capsule of crystalline lens) by belladonna; or more conveniently by solution of atropine, 288; or by atropine gelatine discs. Sedative fomentations, if the eye is morbidly sensitive; bowels to be kept regular by mercurial purgatives or enemata; opium to be given to relieve pain; diet to be plain but nourishing, and free from stimulants. Iodide of potassium (31) often of great value, especially in rheumatic and strumous iritis; in that dependent upon syphilis, mercury (25, 34, 131) more useful, though not to salivation.—*If there be depression*,—Ammonia and bark, 371; quinine, 379; salicin and sarsaparilla, 388.—*When circumorbital pain is intense*,—relief may be afforded by mixing three grains of powdered opium with ten of mercurial ointment, and well rubbing the compound into the temple. No astringent or other collyria should be employed.

*Other remedies recommended*:—Turpentine; colchicum; cod liver oil; santalin; henbane. Stramonium (locally, as a substitute for belladonna).

**2. Inflammation of Iris and Cornea.**—It was erroneously believed until recently that a serous membrane or capsule covered the posterior surface of cornea, both surfaces of iris, and front of capsule of lens: Hence the present disease was supposed to consist of inflammation of this membrane, and was named "aquo-capsulitis."

**SYMPTOMS.** They run a chronic course. There is chiefly—intolerance of light; vascularity of sclerotic; haziness of cornea; and slight change in colour of iris. General health always bad. The disease very obstinate in delicate children. Probably always the result of inherited syphilis.

**TREATMENT.** Mild alteratives; tonics; good diet. Seton in temple. Tincture of iodine carefully applied to skin of eyelids often relieves intolerance of light.

**3. Mydriasis.**—A dilated condition of pupil, causing imperfect vision.

From *Mυδπλασις*. Formerly supposed to be due to redundancy of humours.—From paralysis of third nerve or motor oculi, long continued use of belladonna, and other causes, the iris sometimes loses its power, so that pupil remains dilated. This condition must not be confounded with immobility of pupil owing to disease of retina, from which it may be distinguished by a simple experiment. The patient is directed to supply the want of a contracted iris by looking through a large pin-hole in a card held close to the eye. If case be one of mydriasis, he will see perfectly; whereas if retina be diseased, the aperture will be nearly or quite useless.—The remedies for mydriasis consist of tonics which act specially upon the nervous system,—Zinc, 414, 416; nux vomica, 387, 409. Phosphate of iron, 405. Strychnia and steel, 408. Ergot of rye. A succession of blisters to the temple. Concave glasses often serviceable. The local employment of the Calabar bean, especially where the disease has been caused by belladonna.

4. *Myosis*.—From *Μῶω*, to contract. An unduly contracted state of the pupil.—There is obscurity of vision, especially in a weak light. The remedies are rest, with tonics to improve the general health. The use of belladonna has been condemned.

**JAUNDICE**.—Probably from the French *Jaunir*, to become yellow. Synon. *Icterus*.—A prominent symptom of many varied morbid processes rather than a specific disease.

All forms can be included under one of two divisions:—(1) Those due to suppression of biliary functions, in which the colouring matter of bile, cholesterine, &c., accumulates in the blood, as in acute yellow atrophy of liver, yellow fever, and malignant remittent fever. (2) Those arising from re-absorption of bile properly formed, due either to derangement of the hepatic circulation or to obstruction to the flow of bile into the duodenum. Jaundice from derangement of the hepatic circulation is met with in congestion and inflammation of the liver, in some cases of heart disease and of pneumonia, in relapsing fever. After jaundice from obstruction has existed some time, suppression likewise occurs; owing to backward pressure exerted on hepatic parenchyma by over-distended bile-tubes impeding capillary circulation through the gland.

The two most common causes of jaundice from obstruction are probably catarrh of duodenum and biliary passages, and gall-stones. In the first, there are weight, uneasiness, and dull pain at epigastrium, nausea, flatulence, constipation, &c. Where there is obstruction from a gall-stone, most severe suffering results; vomiting and hiccup, perhaps fatal exhaustion. For causes and treatment of jaundice see *Hepatic Diseases* and *Gall-stones*.

**SYMPTOMS**. Yellowness of conjunctivæ and skin. Saffron hue, or brownish-black tinge of urine; according to amount of bile-pigment present. White colour, or light clay appearance, of fæces. Itching of skin. Perhaps, exhaustion; drowsiness, giddiness, and peevishness: *bitter taste*; slow pulse; dyspepsia, especially for fatty food. *Exceptionally*, corneæ, or aqueous and vitreous humours have become jaundiced, making all objects appear of yellow hue.

If disorder be of long continuance, there may be marked stupor, delirium, and other indications of cerebral derangement. Weakness and emaciation from mal-nutrition. Tendency to hæmorrhage—bleeding from gums, purpura, &c:

Test for bile in urine:—Add to small quantity of urine strong nitric acid, drop by drop. A play of colours, brown, green, blue, red, or sometimes only greenish tint shows presence of bile-pigment. A purple colour by strong sulphuric acid and sugar said to indicate biliary acids—this doubtful.

**KELOID.**—Perhaps from *Κήλη*, a tumour; *εἶδος*, like. Described by Alibert as *Kelis*, *Cheloidea*, or *Cancroide*; owing to its presenting a flattish raised patch of integument, resembling the shell of a tortoise (*Χελύς*, a tortoise; terminal *-ides*).—Consists of flat, tender, smooth cutaneous excrescences, varying in size; raised a few lines above level of skin; having irregular forms, resembling a cicatrix left by a burn, and often arising in cicatrices. There may be only one tumour or several. Disease developed slowly; rarely ends in ulceration; sometimes disappears spontaneously, merely leaving a cicatrix; is usually found on chest between the mammæ; and is very uncommon.

**TREATMENT.** Arsenic, 52. Donovan's triple solution, 51. Iodide of potassium. Cod liver oil. Removal by knife or caustics, injurious. Pressure, useless.

**KERATITIS.**—See *Corneitis*.

**KNOCK-KNEES.**—Synon. *Genua Valga*.—A relaxation of internal lateral ligaments of knee-joints, allowing femur and tibia to become separated, so that an angular obliquity of the bones results.—May come on in delicate and strumous children when they begin to walk. Not uncommon in porters who carry heavy weights on the head. When treatment is called for may be remedied by an articulated apparatus extending from pelvis to heel. In severe cases different operations on the lower end of the femur are practised. Improvement of general health.

**LARYNGISMUS STRIDULUS.**—From *λαρυγίζω*, to vociferate with all his might; *Strideo*, to make a hissing noise. Synon. *Apnœa Infantum*; *Laryngospasmus*; *Infantile Laryngismus*; *Thymic Asthma*; *Spurious* or *Cerebral Croup*; *Child-crowing*.—A spasmodic disease occurring in infants, chiefly during dentition. It consists of a temporary, partial, or complete closure of rima glottidis; by which entrance of air into lungs is impeded or stopped.

**SYMPTOMS.** Interruption of breathing. Rigidity of fingers and toes,—carpo-pedal spasm. Child suddenly seized with dyspnœa; it struggles and kicks, is unable to inspire, and seems about to be suffocated. Presently, spasm ceases; air drawn through chink of glottis with a shrill whistling or crowing sound. Paroxysms may return in

a few hours or days; induced by emotion, anger, fright, or come on when child wakes up or cries.

**TREATMENT.** *During paroxysm:*—Hot water to lower parts of body, with cold affusion to head and face. Slapping of chest and nates sharply. Exposure of face and chest to current of cold air. Gentle inhalation of chloroform. Vapour of ether or ammonia to nostrils. Artificial respiration, drawing tongue well forwards. As a last resource, tracheotomy.—*During interval:*—Mild purgatives. Cod liver oil and steel wine. Anthelmintics, if necessary. Antispasmodic tonics: Zinc and belladonna, 92. Assafoetida. Hydrocyanic acid. Valerianate of iron. Quinine. Out-door life. Especially change of air. Cold sea-water sponge baths. Simple diet, with milk. Lancing of gums, if they be tender and swollen.

**LARYNGITIS.**—From Ἀδρυξ, the windpipe; terminal *-itis*.—Acute inflammation of the larynx is a rare disease unless croup be included; it is generally fatal. Oedema of glottis may occur from other causes than acute inflammation. Larynx also liable to chronic inflammation, ulceration, polypi, &c.

**1. Acute Laryngitis.**—Synon. *Inflammatio Laryngis*; *Cynanche Laryngea*; *Angina Laryngea*.—Almost peculiar to adults. Generally arises from cold and wet in unhealthy constitutions. Occasionally caused by syphilis. Inflammation often of limited extent; the great danger due to its situation.

**SYMPTOMS.** Come on insidiously. At end of some hours,—fever; redness of fauces; pain referred to pomum Adami; difficulty of breathing and swallowing; stridor; hoarseness or even complete loss of voice; considerable anxiety. Spasmodic exacerbations: paroxysms of threatened suffocation. Long inspirations: peculiar wheezing sound, as if air were drawn through a narrow tube. Perhaps, harsh and brassy cough. Dysphagia: liquids swallowed with more difficulty than solids. Face gets flushed; eyes protruded; pulse hard; great general distress. Larynx and trachea move rapidly upwards and downwards: all the muscles of respiration brought into strong action, so that chest heaves violently. Patient gasps for breath: tries perhaps to get to open window. He soon sinks into a drowsy and delirious state; and speedily dies suffocated, from obstruction of chink of rima glottidis.

**TREATMENT.** Rest and quiet: forbid talking. Air of room to be kept moist: temperature 70° F. Turpentine, or hot water, stupes to neck. Extract of belladonna to neck, with linseed poultices. Inhalation of steam of boiling water; or of vapour medicated with hydrocyanic acid, or a little chloroform, 261. Inhalation of spray medicated with stramonium, belladonna, conium, or iodine, 262. A respirator to be worn during intervals between inhalations. Directly there are indications that the blood is not thoroughly oxygenated,—*tracheotomy*. Milk or cream. Raw eggs. Beef tea. Wine or brandy.

*Bleeding, blistering, calomel, tartarated antimony,—positively in-*



jurious. If disease be due to constitutional syphilis, free mercurial inunction; mercurial vapour baths, 131.

**2. Œdema of Glottis.**—Synon. *Œdematous Laryngitis; Hydrops Glottidis; Submucous Laryngitis.*—May be caused by laryngitis; boiling water, or corrosive poisons taken accidentally into mouth; pharyngeal erysipelas. Sometimes simulated by dyspnoea of general anasarca, renal disease, &c. Hence a laryngoscopic examination should often be made to remove all doubt. To favour subsidence of tumefaction sponge epiglottis and cavity of larynx with solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 60 of crystals to one ounce of distilled water). Scarifications of œdematous swelling may be successfully made by aid of laryngoscope. These plans failing,—laryngotomy or tracheotomy.

**3. Chronic Laryngitis, &c.**—Chronic inflammation and ulceration not uncommon in pulmonary consumption; a species of tuberculosis known as *phthisis laryngea*. To be treated like pulmonary phthisis with addition of local applications, such as solution of nitrate of silver. Membrane lining laryngeal cartilages often becomes thickened and ulcerated in constitutional syphilis. Often rapidly cured by large doses of iodide of potassium; local treatment also often required.—Polypi and warty tumours arise from different parts of larynx: cause great impediment to entrance and exit of air, and especially impairment or loss of voice. May be removed by aid of laryngoscope with a small wire écraseur.—Epithelial cancer occasionally seated about vocal cords.—See *Foreign Bodies in Air-passages*.

**LEAD COLIC.**—Synon. *Painter's Colic; Saturnine Colic; Morbus Metallicus; Colica Rachialgia; Dry Gripes or Bellyache; Colica Pictonum*, from its former frequency among the Pictones or inhabitants of Poictou.—Attacks of colic, vomiting, and constipation from the presence of lead in the system. Often followed by paralysis.

**SYMPTOMS.** In addition to those of ordinary colic, an intense grinding or twisting sensation round navel; retraction of abdominal integuments towards spine; pain in back. A blue or slate-grey line round edges of gums.

House painters suffer most frequently: often have many attacks before muscles of arms become affected with paralysis, causing *drop-wrist*. Sleeping in a recently painted room, drinking fluids which have been kept in leaden vessels, effervescing drinks kept in bottles with syphon taps, taking snuff adulterated with lead, &c., are not uncommon causes.

**TREATMENT.** *During attack*:—Calomel and jalap, with sulphate of magnesia, 140. Sulphate of magnesia and sulphuric acid, 142. Sulphate of magnesia with tincture of opium and ether. Sulphate of soda and sulphuric acid, 143. Castor oil, 164. Croton oil, 168. Enemata of warm water. Hot baths. Opium and chloroform, 316. Morphia and ether, 315. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Opium and belladonna, 344. Faradisation: perhaps while

patient is under influence of chloroform. Farinaceous food.—*Subsequently, to eliminate poison*:—Iodide of potassium, 31. Sulphur baths, 125. Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Colchicum, 46.—*Prophylactic*:—Sulphuric acid drink. Attention to functions of skin and bowels. Avoidance of abuse of alcoholic drinks.—See *Colic*; *Paralysis*.

**LEPRA.**—From *Λέπρα*, a scaly state of the skin. *Synon. Common Dry Tetter; European Leprosy; Alophos; Psoriasis.*—The most obstinate and troublesome of all curable cutaneous diseases. A non-contagious squamous eruption; consisting of red and scaly circular patches, of various dimensions, scattered over different parts of body. Most frequently found in the neighbourhood of the joints, especially near the knee and elbow. Common lepra affects mostly extensor aspect of limbs, olecranon and below patella; syphilitic lepra often on flexor surface. By degrees, patches increase in size and number, and extend along extremities to trunk.

**VARIETIES.** When the patches are of moderate size, round and reddish, and covered with thin white scales, affection known as *lepra vulgaris*: when eruption is smaller and whiter than the foregoing, and of long standing, disease termed *lepra alphoides*: when it is copper-coloured, result of syphilis, *syphilitic lepra*.

**TREATMENT.** *Locally*:—Warm baths. Alkaline baths, 121. Tar ointment (unguentum picis liquidæ, *Phar. Lond.* 1851). Goa powder or chrysophanic acid.

*Internally*:—Aloes, gentian, and potash, 148. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Nitric acid, senna, and taraxacum, 147. Ammonia and rhubarb, 161. Arsenic, 52. Phosphorus. Donovan's triple solution, 51. Sarsaparilla and corrosive sublimate, 27. Infusion of dulcamara. Tar capsules, 36. Tincture of cantharides, 226. Copaiba. Carbolic acid. Cod liver oil. Sulphur. Colchicum. Iodide of potassium, 31. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Red iodide of mercury and arsenic, 55. Harrogate waters. Purton spa. Barèges. Simple nourishing food: avoidance of stimulants.

**LEUCOCYTHEMIA.**—From *Λευκός*, white; *κύτος*, a cell; and *αίμα*, blood. *Synon. Leucocytosis; Leucæmia; White Cell Blood.*—Two varieties, *L. splenica* and *L. lymphatica*, or *Lymphadenoma*. A morbid state of the blood, in which the white corpuscles are greatly increased in number, while the red cells are much diminished. Connected with hypertrophy of the spleen, or of the lymphatic glands.

**SYMPTOMS.** Anæmic pallor. Emaciation and debility. Abdominal swelling. Spleen very large, often reaching left iliac fossa and passing linea alba; easily recognized by notches. Disordered respiration. Loss of appetite. Mental depression. Diarrhœa. Nausea. Hæmorrhage from nose, lungs, or stomach. Jaundice. Anasarca. Ascites. Prostration, ending in death. Pathognomonic characteristics are *presence of excess of white corpuscles in blood, and great enlargement*

of spleen or of lymphatic glands. Sometimes peculiar inflammation of retina.

**TREATMENT.** Phosphorus. Arsenic. Bark, 22, 376. Iron, 21, 392, 394, 405. Quinine, 379, 380. Carbonate of ammonia. Cod liver oil, 389. Gallic acid, 103. Alkaline hypophosphites, 419. Iodide of potassium. Chloride of potassium. Nourishing food. Pepsine, 420. Stimulants. Sea air. Chalybeate mineral waters.—See also *Adenoma*.

**LEUCODERMA.**—From *Λευκός*, white; *δέρμα*, the skin. *Synon.* *Leucopathia*; *Chloasma Album*; *Alphosis*; *Achroma*.—A rare condition; in which the skin is rendered white in various sized patches, from loss of cutaneous pigment. Occurs especially in negroes,—“the piebald negro.” General health not affected.

**LEUCORRHOEA.**—From *Λευκός*, white; *ῥέω*, to flow. *Synon.* *Menstrua Alba*; *Fluor Muliebris*; *Catarrhus Genitalium*; *The Whites*.—A mucous discharge from the lining membrane of the uterine cavity, or of the vaginal canal. Hence, there may be uterine or vaginal leucorrhœa.—See *Endometritis*; *Vaginitis*.

**LICHEN.**—From *Λειχήν*, moss. *Synon.* *Papulæ Siccae*; *Licheniasis Adultorum*; *Lichenous Rash*.—An obstinate and annoying papular affection of the skin. Recognized by the minute, hard, red elevations which it presents, and which are either distinct or arranged in clusters; by the tingling and irritation; and by the slight desquamation which follows.

**VARIETIES.** (1) *Lichen simplex*: Eruption of red inflamed papulæ, on face or arms, extending to trunk and legs. Slight fever; itching or tingling; eruption fades in about a week, when desquamation takes place. Disease apt to return every spring or summer in irritable constitutions. Sometimes mistaken for measles or scarlet fever.—(2) *Lichen pilaris*, or hair lichen: a modification of preceding; papulæ appear only at roots of hairs. Often due to stomach derangement, especially that from abuse of alcoholic drinks.—(3) *Lichen circumscriptus*, or clustered lichen: patches of papulæ with well-defined margins and irregular circular form.—(4) *Lichen agrius*, or wild lichen: most severe form; ushered in by fever. Papulæ much inflamed; developed on an erythematous surface, which appears hot and painfully distended. In a short time, inflammation diminishes: papulæ become covered with furfureous desquamation; or their points are scratched off, surrounding skin becomes fissured into deep painful cracks, and sero-purulent fluid exudes, forming thin scaly crusts. Itching, tingling, and smarting intense; fever, nausea, headache, rigors, and other symptoms of constitutional disturbance. In mild cases, symptoms may subside and eruption die away in fourteen days: in severe varieties, disease frequently prolonged for months.—(5) *Lichen lividus*; distinguished by livid hue of papulæ, which chiefly form on limbs, and are not accompanied by fever.—(6) *Lichen tropicus*, or prickly heat: peculiar to tropical climates. Appears to

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be partly due to exposure during heat of day, before system has become acclimatized.—(7) *Lichen urticatus*, or nettle lichen: peculiar, inasmuch as its commencement is marked by occurrence of wheals, like those produced by bites of bugs or gnats. Wheals subside and leave papulæ, which are sometimes obstinate; both wheals and papulæ accompanied with itching, pricking, and tingling.

**TREATMENT.** For all forms except 4th and 5th:—Only simple remedies required. Tepid baths: mild laxatives: acidulous drinks: an unstimulating diet. Irritation to be relieved by acetate of lead and hydrocyanic acid lotions, 263: or by equal parts of subacetate of lead and oxide of zinc ointments: or by glycerine and water, equal portions: or by corrosive sublimate lotion, 271: or by colloidium, 285.

*Lichen Agrius*:—Steel and aloes, 154. Steel and sulphate of magnesia, 166. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Nitric acid and bark, 376. Arsenic, 52. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Turkish bath, 130. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Sulphur baths, 125. Cod liver oil. Iodine. Iodide of potassium. Colchicum. Pepsine.

*Lichen Lividus*:—Quinine and mineral acids, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Phosphate of iron, 405. Tincture of perchloride of iron and glycerine, 392. Cod liver oil. Generous diet: milk: malt liquors or wine.

**LIPÆMIA.**—From *Λίπα*, fat; *αἷμα*, blood Fatty blood.—See *Piæ hæmia*.

**LOCKED-JAW.**—Synon. *Trismus*, from *Τρῖζω*, to gnash with the teeth.—See *Tetanus*.

**LUMBAGO.**—From *Lumbus*, the loins. Synon. *Rheumatismus Dorsalis*; *Rachirrhœuma*.—See *Muscular Rheumatism*.

**LUMBAR, PSOAS, AND ILIAC ABSCESS.**—Chronic collections of pus in these situations generally due to caries of bodies of dorsal or lumbar vertebræ. More seldom, are caused by general debility without spinal disease. Occur especially in strumous subjects.

**SYMPTOMS.** Quantity of pus usually large. When it points in the loins, generally on one side of spine, it is known as *lumbar abscess*. When in the groin, below Poupart's ligament, having travelled along the course of one or both psoæ muscles, it is called *psœas abscess*. When above Poupart's ligament, it is called *iliac abscess*. In exceptional cases, the abscess has burst into peritoneum, large intestines, or pleura. Very rarely the pus has been absorbed.

**TREATMENT.** The best chance of recovery is afforded by free incision with antiseptic precautions, complete evacuation of the pus, and introduction of an adequate drainage tube; the cavity may be distended and washed out by a solution of sulphurous or carbolic acid. *Valvular opening* formerly recommended. Puncture with trocar and *cannula* sometimes advised, or aspirator employed. When a *permanent cure cannot be hoped for*, it is unwise to interfere unless there

be pain or much inconvenience. In all cases improvement of general health necessary. Bark. Ferruginous tonics. Good diet. Cod liver oil. Sea air.

**LUPUS.**—From *Lupus*, a wolf,—owing to its destructive character. Synon. *Ulcus Tuberculosis*; *Noli me Tangere*.—A destructive skin disease; commencing in the form of one or more indolent, soft, dull-red tubercles, which become covered with scabs, have a tendency to heal spontaneously, and always leave a scar. Most common on the face: occurs in the young or middle-aged: and is more often met with in women than men.

**VARIETIES.** Two forms,—*Lupus non-exedens*, and *Lupus exedens*. In the *first*, little or no ulceration, yet the tubercles leave deep cicatrized pits behind them; while when it spreads rapidly and superficially, the skin is left crossed by white scar-like ridges and bands. The *second*, very destructive; attacks the nose more frequently than any other region of body. Extent of parts which it destroys varies; sometimes the whole nose being eaten away, sometimes only the point.—Both varieties may be present in same case: disease on *alæ nasi* consisting of *lupus exedens*, while that on face is of *non-exedens* form. Moreover, whether ulceration be present or not, the disease is essentially the same. *Lupus* is closely simulated by a form of syphilitic ulceration, which may destroy the nose—Syphilitic *lupus*.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Quinine, steel, and arsenic, 381. Arsenic, 52. Cod liver oil, 389. Iodide of iron and cod liver oil, 390. Phosphate of iron, 405. Opium. Free and continued purgation by calomel. In syphilitic *lupus*, iodide of potassium. Nourishing food. Exercise in pure air.

*Locally*:—Free destruction of entire tubercle or ulcer by actual or potential caustic; repeating application until a healthy surface results. Chloride of zinc, rubbed in, or applied in paste, 197. Potassa fusa. Arsenic and calomel powder, 203. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury, 195. Pure carbolic acid. Chromic acid, 196. Linear scarification or scraping away diseased structure by small spoon very successful.

**MALACOSTEON.**—From *Μαλακός*, soft; *ὀστέον*, a bone. Synon. *Mollities Ossium*.—See *Osteomalacia*.

**MALIGNANT VESICLE.**—Synon. *Charbon*.—A furunculoid disease conveyed from cattle to man by inoculation, which may be effected by flies, as well as in more ordinary ways. The flesh of animals suffering from this disease taken as food may cause it. “Woolsorters’ disease” is this affection contracted by handling the wool of sheep which have died from it, or by inhaling the dust from the fleeces. The contagium is a bacteroid organism which is found abundantly in the local ulcer and in the blood.

**SYMPTOMS.** A pimple or vesicle, which usually forms on a surface habitually exposed. It bursts and leaves a black eschar. Swelling and discoloration. Severe carbuncular inflammation: enormous swelling: brawny hardness: loss of vitality. Fœtid breath. Em-

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barrassed respiration. Great prostration. Death with symptoms of general blood poisoning.

**TREATMENT.** Free application of actual cautery (thermo-cautère) to pustule. Injection of carbolic acid. Early incisions. Extirpation. Scarifications, with application of caustics. Potassa fusa. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury.

Sulphite of soda or magnesia, 48. Bark. Quinine. Opium. Tar capsules, 36. Essence of beef. Cream or milk. Raw eggs. Alcoholic stimulants. Current of pure air over bed.

**MAMMARY ABSCESS.**—Synon. *Mastodynia Apostematosa*; *Milk Abscess*; *Abscess of the Breast*.—May be acute or chronic: the former a result of active inflammation. Forms either in substance of gland, or between gland and skin, or between gland and chest walls.

**SYMPTOMS.** *Acute*.:—Occurrence of rigors during progress of inflammation. Engorgement of breast. Deep seated or diffused burning pains: throbbing, and sense of heavy weight. Formation of a painful point. Fluctuation: Symptoms, general and local, most severe in intra-glandular abscess.

*Chronic*.:—Most important because the lump or knot in breast is apt to be mistaken for a malignant tumour. Matter forms very slowly: may be result of scrofula or derangement of general health, without any inflammatory symptoms. Occurs in puerperal and in sterile women. First indications, are hardness of gland and soreness about nipple. An imperfectly circumscribed and uneven tumour can be detected: fluctuation indistinct, often difficult to appreciate, owing to thickness of plastic effusion round the purulent collection. Nipple may be retracted. Adhesion occurs between tumour and skin.

**TREATMENT.** Tonics and stimulants. Nourishing food: malt liquors. Introduction of grooved needle, if diagnosis be doubtful. Free puncture at most depending point. Drainage tube. Poultices. Pressure with long strips of strapping. Care necessary to prevent sinuses from burrowing. If they form, pressure or stimulating injections can be tried; or setons should be passed through them. Attention to digestive and uterine organs.

**MAMMARY HYPERTROPHY.**—Enormous hypertrophy of one or both breasts may occur in single and married women. Usually one gland first begins to enlarge, and slowly increases in size. At the end of a year or more, opposite mamma gets affected. No inflammatory symptoms, induration, or pain. Enlargement becomes burdensome, and unsightly. Affected gland may project firmly from thorax; or it may hang flabby and loose—Pendulous breast. In many cases, the uterine functions are imperfectly performed. General health usually impaired. Occasionally, perhaps, the result of masturbation. The worst case which the author has seen, was attributed to imperfect sexual intercourse: both breasts were affected, reaching to the umbilicus.

**TREATMENT.** Very unsatisfactory. Improvement of general health. Attention to uterine functions. Pressure with strips of ammoniac

and mercury, or mercurial, or litharge, or belladonna plaster; or by spring pads, or Dr. Arnott's air cushion. Where patient is pregnant, a hope of cure may be entertained when lactation is set up. Various preparations of iodine have been largely tried: seldom with any benefit. The clitoris has been excised. In very severe cases, one or both breasts have been amputated.

**MAMMARY TUMOURS.**—The female breast may be the seat of several varieties of tumour. Some are *simple*; and, with one or two exceptions, are composed of elements more or less resembling those entering into the structure of the normal gland. Others are *malignant*; and are formed of elements foreign to the healthy organism.

**1. Lacteal Tumour.**—From *Lac*, milk. Synon. *Galactocoele* (Γάλα, milk; κήλη, a tumour); *Lactocoele*; *Milk Tumour*.—A distension of one or more lacteal tubes, owing to occlusion of the orifices; or a rupture of a milk duct, with escape of contents into surrounding connective tissue. Occurs during lactation.

**SYMPTOMS.** A cystic growth, varying in size from that of a walnut to that of an orange, can be felt; which when recent is elastic and fluctuating. As the serous portion of the milk gets absorbed, the tumour becomes firmer and feels almost solid. Absence of pain. General health unaffected. Enlargement commonly discovered by accident: patient alarmed, fearing cancer. Very rarely the earthy salts of the milk form a small concretion,—*lacteal calculus*.

**TREATMENT.** Free puncture, keeping the wound pervious until all discharge ceases. Sometimes a cure cannot be effected until gland tissue becomes inactive,—until infant is weaned. If slight inflammation and suppuration follow the puncture, there will be no need for anxiety: a cure will occur as in abscess.

**2. Fatty Tumour.**—Masses of fat may be developed within the breast, or in front or behind it. They give rise to an appearance of mammary hypertrophy. Such tumours grow slowly, sometimes attain a weight of several pounds, and are only inconvenient from their bulk.

**3. Enchondromatous and Osteoid Growths.**—Cartilaginous and bony tumours have been found in the breast on a very few occasions.

**4. Fibro-Plastic Growths.**—Synon. *Recurrent Fibrous Tumour*.—(Spindle-celled sarcoma?) Of very rare occurrence. The tumour may attain a large size: the integuments ulcerate, giving exit to a fungating mass which often bleeds readily. The lymphatics are not involved. General health good. After removal there is great probability of a recurrence of the disease,—perhaps on five or six or more occasions.

**5. Hydatid Cysts.**—Cysts containing entozoa have been found in the breast. Echinococci to be detected on a minute examination of the fluid contents of the sacs. Sometimes curable by puncture of

parent cyst and compression; or by withdrawal of parent cyst through a free incision. Occasionally extirpation must be resorted to.

**6. Chronic Mammary Tumour.**—Synon. *Adenoid Tumour*; *Adenocoele* ('Αδην, a gland; κήλη, a tumour); *Partial Hypertrophy*; *Mammary Glandular Tumour*; *Hydatid Disease of Breast*; *Sero-cystic Sarcoma*.—A tumour of the breast, which generally commences in healthy women between the time of puberty and the thirtieth year: single, more liable than married women. Growth slow: an enormous size may ultimately be attained. Sometimes remains stationary for a long time, and then rapidly increases in bulk; sometimes gradually diminishes, perhaps owing to absorption of fluid contents of cysts. Never disappears entirely. May be due to mechanical injury. One variety of mammary tumour is dense, compact, lobulated, and provided with a fibrous capsule: ducts and sinuses developed through the new growth. In another form, there are cysts with growths attached to their walls, and floating in fluid. In a third group, dilated ducts get converted into cysts, with growths of gland tissue springing from their sides.

**SYMPTOMS.** The tumour begins as a small, movable, nodulated growth: it appears isolated from gland tissue: is not painful: does not involve skin: no enlargement of axillary glands. As the foreign body grows, the true breast may atrophy. Rate of growth very variable. When large, the integuments may ulcerate: occasionally tumour protrudes through ulceration as a fungating mass.

**TREATMENT.** Remedies to induce absorption only injure the general health. When the growth is increasing, excision should be resorted to. Recurrence is rare.

**7. Mucous Cysts.**—Consist of dilated and expanded gland ducts filled with mucus and epithelium. There may be one or several cysts, in one or both breasts. The growths seldom attain a greater size than that of a filbert. Most common after child-bearing period is over. A cure can often be effected by puncture and pressure. This failing, and irritation arising, the breast will have to be amputated.

**8. Malignant Tumours.**—Cancer of the breast may be of the nature of scirrhus, medullary, or colloid: the first by far the most common. Always primary. Only one mamma generally affected. Frequently developed between the ages of forty and fifty. The tendency of the disease is to increase, to ulcerate, to cause great pain, to affect the lymphatics and glands, to diminish health and flesh and strength, to set up the cancerous cachexia, to lead to secondary deposits in distant organs, and to destroy life in less than four years from commencement.

The male breast occasionally becomes the seat of malignant disease.—See *Cancer*.

**MAMMILLARY DISEASES.**—The nipple, or mammilla (dim. of *Mamma*, the breast), may be the seat of certain morbid processes. The chief are:—*Chronic eczema* and *psoriasis*. There are exco-



riations covered with rather thick crusts. Aggravated by pressure against stays. Psoriasis of nipples has a great tendency to set up malignant disease of the ducts. May sometimes be cured by lime liniment, zinc ointment, or lotions of sulphate of zinc. In obstinate cases, arsenic, 52. When malignant disease threatened, the mamma should be removed.

*Inflammation of nipple* very common at commencement of lactation. Exquisitely painful ulcers or abrasions form,—“fissures,” “chaps,” or “cracks.” The acute suffering sometimes impairs general health; there is constant dread, mental depression, loss of appetite, restless nights. The disease may often be prevented by bathing nipple night and morning, during last few weeks of pregnancy, with astringents,—Port wine, brandy, or saccharated lime water. Numerous curative measures recommended; the most efficient being, Collodium, 285. Solid nitrate of silver, but it causes great pain on first application. Sulphurous acid. Tincture of catechu. Lead or zinc lotions, 264. Balsam of Peru and spermaceti ointment, 306. Glycerine, or almond oil. Lime liniment. Borax and glycerine lotion, 268. Dusting with powdered spermaceti, or oxide of zinc, tied up in a muslin bag. Nipple to be well dried after nursing: child not to be allowed to lie with it in the mouth, after a proper meal. Gold-beater's skin. Nipple-shields, of glass or boxwood or vulcanized India rubber, to afford protection during suckling. Mucous membrane of infant's mouth to be examined, so that any aphthous or other morbid state may be rectified. Other means failing, infant to be nursed only from sound breast.

*Malignant disease* may attack either the male or female nipple. Early extirpation is the only remedy.

**MAMMITIS.**—From *Mamma*, the breast; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Mazoitis*; *Mastitis*; *Inflammatio Mamme*.—Inflammation of the breast may be acute or chronic. Generally occurs during lactation:—from cold; irritation of sore nipple; external injury; too poor a diet; inattention to suckling at proper intervals; general debility; or sympathy with gastric, intestinal, hepatic, uterine, ovarian, or renal irritation.

**SYMPTOMS.** When *acute*:—Considerable pain, swelling, induration. Shivering, fever, quick pulse, loaded tongue, delirium. Secretion of milk soon checked. Suppuration commonly results.

In *chronic* form:—Comes on insidiously. Enlargement of gland and induration: the hardness much less than in scirrhus. Often ends in suppuration. May follow acute inflammation; or may arise in women of strumous constitution quite independently of child-bearing.

**TREATMENT.** *Acute*:—Antiphlogistic remedies not advisable; though rapid cures are said to have been effected by saline purgatives, antimonials, and leeches. Mild aperients. Iodide of potassium, 31. Aconite and opium, 332. Fomentations. Hemlock poultices. Linseed poultices, with application of extract of belladonna. Three or four leeches, where there is great congestion and the powers of life

are not enfeebled. The breast to be supported. Arm to be kept quiet, by a sling or bandaging to the side. Infant to be weaned at commencement. If milk accumulates and causes painful distension, it must be drawn off with breast-pump. Incision as soon as there is fluctuation. Tonics, and good nourishing food.—See *Mammary Abscess*.

*Chronic*.—Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and mineral acids, 371. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food. Support and pressure by strips of strapping, belladonna plaster, or bandage. Abscess to be opened at most depending point.

**MASTODYNIA**.—From *Μαστός*, the breast; *δύσνη*, pain. Synon. *Mazodynia*; *Mastalgia*; *Neuralgia of Mamma*.—The female breast is not unfrequently the seat of distressing pains, without any structural disease of the gland.

**SYMPTOMS**. Occasionally there is slight heat and more or less swelling of affected breast. Sometimes the lobules feel rather firmer than is natural. More commonly, the gland is healthy to the touch. The pain may be of a wearying aching character: it may be very acute, liable to exacerbations, and perhaps periodic,—like neuralgia elsewhere. Very frequently due to some ovarian or uterine irritation. In many women the breasts are irritable at the commencement of each menstrual period. General health seldom good. Nervous temperament. Loss of appetite, constipation, restless nights, anxiety.

**TREATMENT**. Cure of the disorder on which the pain depends. Removal of any ovarian or uterine irritation. Attention to diet, exercise, clothing.

Quinine, 379, 411. Ammonia and bark, 371, 372. Aconite, 330, 374. Quinine and belladonna, 383. Cod liver oil. Pepsine, 420. Castor oil. Iodide of lead and belladonna in vaginal pessaries, 423. Friction of breasts with belladonna liniments, 265, 281. Support by strapping or bandage, if breast is pendulous. Pressure by encircling the gland with strips of belladonna plaster, or of ammoniacum with mercury (*Emplastrum Ammoniaci cum Hydrargyro*, Brit. Phar.). The breast has been amputated; the pain returning in cicatrix, or in opposite gland.

Young infants, and boys or girls about the time of puberty, are liable to enlargement and tenderness of breasts. Sometimes there is secretion of milk. The disorder subsides spontaneously, provided irritation is not kept up by application of iodine and similar drugs. The author has more than once seen abscess in breast of infant, from the nurse using friction with oil "to rub the milk away," or pinching the breast to "break the string of the nipple."

**MEASLES**.—From the Saxon *Mesall*, or *Mysel*, leprous: *Meazel*, a leper, or diseased person. Synon. *Morbilli*; *Rubeola*.—A continued infectious fever, with catarrh, characterized by a patchy crimson rash, and often attended or followed by inflammation of the *mucous membrane of the organs of respiration*. Some authors divide *measles* into two grades,—the *morbilli mitiores*, and *morbilli*

*graviores*; but the latter only differs from the former in its greater severity, and in the fact that the eruption assumes a dark purple colour.

**SYMPTOMS.** After a period of incubation, varying from 10 to 15 days, there are lassitude, shivering, pyrexia, and catarrh; the conjunctivæ, Schneiderian membrane, and mucous membrane of the fauces larynx, trachea, and bronchi being much affected. Swelling of eyelids, with eyes suffused and watery, and intolerant of light; sneezing; dry cough, hoarseness, and sometimes dyspnoea; drowsiness; great heat of skin; white tongue; together with frequent and hard pulse. The eruption comes out on 4th day of fever, and fades on 7th: it consists of small papules like dots, which coalesce into small blotches, raised above the skin, and often of a horseshoe or crescentic shape. Between the crescentic blotches the skin is of the usual colour. Fever does not abate on appearance of eruption. Pulmonary complications are to be feared, especially in winter and spring months. Occasionally life endangered by the occurrence of laryngitis, cancrum oris, severe otitis, epistaxis, acute tuberculosis, or acute desquamative nephritis.

**TREATMENT.** Confinement to bed in a moderately warm room. Pediluvia, or warm bath, before the eruption appears. Milk diet; acid or mucilaginous drinks. Castor oil. Rhubarb and magnesia. Cream of tartar. Solution of acetate of ammonia. Effervescing saline mixtures. Spirit of nitrous ether. Carbonate of ammonia. Alcoholic stimulants, if there be depression. Ipecacuanha and morphia, if cough be troublesome. Colchicum. Sponging with vinegar and water. Inunction with oil or lard.—Bark; quinine; steel; cod liver oil; and nourishing food during convalescence.

**MEDULLARY CANCER.**—From *Medulla*, pith or marrow. Synon. *Encephaloid Cancer*,—Ἐγκέφαλος, the brain.—These cancers are of two kinds—soft and firm; the former most frequent. In either condition they are found as separable tumours, or as infiltrations. As *separable* tumours, when occurring in testicle, breast, eye, intermuscular, and other spaces in limbs; as *infiltrations*, when occupying the substance of uterus, alimentary canal, serous membranes, and bones. In either form their course towards a fatal career is rapid: average duration of life, from patient's first observation of disease, little more than two years.—See *Cancer*.

**MELÆNA.**—From *Mêlas*, black. Synon. *Dysentery Splenica*; *Fluxus Splenicus*; *Dejectiones Nigræ*.—When the intestinal evacuations contain blood, whether this comes from vessels of stomach or only from those of intestines, there is said to be *melæna*. The evacuations are often black, and sometimes resemble tar; but this dark appearance is by no means constant, and does not occur if the blood comes away too quickly to be acted upon by intestinal juices. Cirrhosis of liver, or any disease which produces obstruction of portal system, necessarily gives rise to congestion of gastric and intestinal veins a condition often terminating in extravasation of large quanti-

ties of blood from the gastro-intestinal mucous membrane. Amongst other less common causes are enteritis, dysentery, intussusception, simple and carcinomatous ulcerations, aneurismal and other tumours, &c. Not to be confounded with bleeding from rectum, owing to the presence of a polypus or of hæmorrhoids.

**TREATMENT.** When there is gastric disease, see *Hæmatemesis*. In other forms:—Calomel and jalap, 140. Sulphate of magnesia and aromatic sulphuric acid. Podophyllin, 160. Turpentine, 102. Gallic acid, 103. Mineral acids and bitters, 378.

**MELANOID CANCER.**—From *Μελανῶ*, to grow black. Synon. *Carcinoma Melanoticum*; *Fungus Melanodes*; *Black Cancer*.—Consists generally of medullary cancer or sarcoma, modified by the superaddition of a black pigment. Scirrhus sometimes becomes associated with melanosis, and more rarely epithelioma does so.—See *Cancer*.

**MELANOSIS.**—From *Μέλας*, black; *νόσος*, disease. Synon. *Nigritudo*; *Black Tubercle*.—A rare disorder, characterized by the deposition in various tissues of the body, of a black or dark-brown substance.

Melanotic formations may take place in various parts of body, may present much variety of form, and may owe their production to different agents. They are divided into two great groups (Carswell):—(1) True Melanosis, of which there is only one kind. (2) Spurious Melanosis, of which there are three kinds—*a*, that arising from the introduction of carbonaceous matter; *b*, from the action of chemical agents on the blood; and *c*, from the stagnation of the blood.

**1. True Melanosis.**—True melanosis is usually round or spindle-celled sarcoma, modified by the formation of black pigment in its elemental structures. The primary growth usually arises in some pigmented tissue, as the choroid or a cutaneous mole; the secondary deposits disseminated therefrom occur most commonly in connective and adipose tissues; but also, though rarely, in mucous and serous membranes, in tendons and cartilages, as well as in osseous system—particularly bones of cranium, ribs, and sternum. The organs it most commonly affects are liver, lungs, spleen, pancreas, lymphatic glands, brain, eye, kidney, testes, uterus, ovaries, rectum, and mammae. Melanosis is sometimes found associated with various forms of cancer; and it has been met with in the false membranes formed on serous surfaces (Andral).

**SYMPTOMS.** In subcutaneous melanosis the tumours or nodules remove all difficulty as to diagnosis.—When internal organs are alone affected, the symptoms are obscure. Gradual sinking of the vital energies. A cachectic habit of body. Dusky or ash-coloured countenance. Emaciation. Dropsy. Night-sweats. Gradual exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** The symptoms to be combated as they arise. Cholagogue purgatives. Bark and mineral acids. Ferruginous tonics. *Nourishing diet.* *Sea air.*

**2. Spurious Melanosis.**—(1) *From Introduction of Carbonaceous*

**Matter.**—The lungs—it occurs only in these organs—present a black carbonaceous colour; bronchial glands blackened; pulmonary tissue indurated and friable, infiltrated with black serum, and often broken down into irregular cavities. The discoloration has its origin in inhalation of carbonaceous products of ordinary combustion. Is chiefly found in lungs of those who have worked in coal mines.

(2) *From Action of Chemical Agents on the Blood.*—In digestion of coats of stomach by gastric juice after death, and in poisoning by acids, the blood contained in gastric capillaries, as well as that extravasated, will generally present a blackish tint. Sulphuretted hydrogen gas will also darken the blood in the intestinal capillaries.

(3) *From Stagnation of Blood.*—Retarded or impeded circulation may produce black discoloration of the blood. When blood ceases to circulate in capillaries of an organ it coagulates, the serum and salts become absorbed, and a black substance remains. This probably consists of fibrin and hæmatin. Occurs in the digestive and respiratory organs. Black pigment found in the blood in severe remittent and intermittent fever.

**MELITURIA.**—From *Μέλι*, honey; *οὐρον*, urine. Sweet urine.—See *Diabetes Mellitus*.

**MENIERE'S DISEASE.**—A severe form of vertigo, due to disease of the ear or derangement of pressure in the labyrinth. There are usually deafness and tinnitus, with occasional attacks of giddiness in which the patient may fall down, feel confused and perhaps vomit. Certain movements of head attended with discomfort, or give rise to an attack.

**TREATMENT.** Remove cause. Quinine in large doses.

**MENORRHAGIA.**—From *Μήνες*, the menses; *ρήγνυμι*, to burst out. Synon. *Paramenia Profusa*; *Menstrua Superflua*; *Menorrhæa*; *Profuse Menstruation*.—An abnormal increase of the catamenia.

**CAUSES.** May arise from diseases producing anæmia:—Tuberculosis; Bright's disease; affections of spleen; undue lactation. Also from:—Excitement at monthly period. Excessive sexual intercourse. Metritis and ovaritis. Displacement of uterus. Relaxation of uterine tissue. Uterine and ovarian tumours, especially uterine fibroid or malignant disease; polypus, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Bromide of potassium. Gallic acid; cinnamon; sulphuric acid;—either remedy alone or all in combination, 103, 104. Nitric acid. Solution of corrosive sublimate, 27. Ergot of rye. Periwinkle (*Vinci major*). Ammonio-sulphate of iron, 116. Turpentine. Opium. Indian hemp. Ipecacuan. Savin. Rue. Nux vomica. Strychnia. Acetate of lead. Oxide of silver. Arsenic. Infusion of digitalis.

**Local remedies:**—Ice over pubes. Introduction of ice into vagina. Vaginal injections of very hot water. Vaginal injections of tannic acid or of matico. Astringent vaginal pessaries, 423. Galvanism.

Plugging os uteri with sponge, 426. Plugging vagina with cotton wool. Styptic rod of tannin, 424. Cold water enemata.—See *Uterine Hemorrhage*.

*Remedies sometimes employed*:—Venesection. Leeches to labia uteri. Calomel. Tartarated antimony. Infusion of wood-soot (soot-tea).

**METRITIS**.—From *Μήτρα*, the womb; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Febris Uterina*; *Hysteritis*; *Inflammatio Uteri*.—Inflammation of the substance of the unimpregnated uterus a rare disease. Muscular tissue of the body may be alone affected, or that of cervix, or that of whole organ will be involved.

**SYMPTOMS**. Acute metritis may set in suddenly with rigors followed by fever. More commonly, comes on gradually. Sense of fullness, weight, and heat about pelvis. Throbbing, with tenderness, about pubes, and groins, and perineum. Irritability of bladder. Nausea and vomiting. Diarrhœa with tenesmus. After first day, acute paroxysms of uterine pain. A mucous, sometimes sanguineous, discharge. Suffering relieved by recumbent posture.—Acute symptoms subside in about seven days. Resolution often occurs. But occasionally one or more abscesses form in uterine parenchyma: or subacute inflammation follows, pelvic areolar tissue getting involved: or fatal gangrene sets in: or it leaves hypertrophy of uterus, induration of labia, abrasions, and leucorrhœa.

**TREATMENT**. *Acute stage*:—Complete repose. Simple diet: cooling drinks; iced water. Hot hip baths. Leeches to labia uteri. Opium and belladonna pessaries, 423. Ice; sinapisms to epigastrium; a few drops of chloroform on sugar,—for relief of gastric irritability. Mucous diarrhœa to be checked by opiate enema or suppository, 339, 340.

*Subacute stage*:—Iodide of potassium and aconite, 31. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Mercury, or iodide of lead pessaries, 423. Potassa fusa to indurated labia. Nourishing food. Warm hip baths. Moderate exercise in pure air.

**METRRORRHAGIA**.—See *Uterine Hemorrhage*.

**MILIARIA**.—From *Milium*, millet. Synon. *Miliary Fever*; *Miliaria Sudatoria*; *Exanthema Miliaria*; *Millet Seed Rash*.—A vesicular eruption; vesicles the size of millet seeds, containing a slightly opaque fluid, and surrounded by a narrow red margin. Occurs during progress of diseases attended with offensive sweating—rheumatic fever, &c. Miliary eruptions have occasionally been epidemic (miliary fever) and attended with much danger.—See *Sudamina*.

**MINERAL DEGENERATION**.—Synon. *Calcareous Degeneration*.—Every texture of the body is probably liable to mineral or earthy degeneration. Occurs most frequently in the coats of arteries and in cartilages. Tubercular and cancerous growths sometimes undergo this change, and so may fibroid tumours of uterus.

(1) It is important to distinguish between ossification and calcification. *Ossification* does sometimes take place, with formation of dense or compact, and spongy or cancellated tissue, and occasionally even of periosteum.

(2) In *calcification* or *petrification* there is a deposit of the salts of lime in the intercellular substance. The coats of large arteries are often found brittle from this cause. Sometimes plates of mineral matter are discovered embedded in the middle coat of the vessels, rendering them hard and rigid tubes. So the gall-bladder, pericardium, &c., have been found converted into calcareous shells. Or tuberculous deposit in the lungs, and tuberculous glands may undergo calcification.

**MOLLITIES OSSIUM.**—From *Mollis*, soft: *Os*, a bone. A morbidly flexible condition of the bones, owing to an insufficiency of phosphate of lime.—See *Osteomalacia*.

**MOLLUSCUM.**—From *Molluscum*, a fungus that grows on the maple tree. Synon. *Ochthiasis*; *Acné Molluscoide*.—A rare cutaneous disease: of the order *Tubercula*. Consists of small tumours formed by an enlarged sebaceous gland. Have usually a depressed spot on the summit, varying in size from that of a pea to that of a pigeon's egg, occasionally of a brown colour, sometimes growing from a broad base, and sometimes from a narrow peduncle. Two forms, one contagious, the other not. Contagious molluscum rare, severe, and chronic; most common in infants and children; may be seen on the face of the child and breast of the mother. Non-contagious molluscum is less severe; does not produce so much irritation as opposite kind: tumours fibroid, often numerous, after a time neither grow nor alter, but remain stationary for life. A cure can only be effected by snipping off the tumours, or by incising them and applying nitrate of silver.

**MORBILLI.**—The dim. of *Morbus*, a disease: *Mópos Bíov*, the fate of life—i.e., death.—See *Measles*.

**MUMPS.**—Synon. *Parotitis*, *Cynanche Parotidea*.—A specific and contagious inflammation of salivary glands, and of parotid gland, especially. Incubation period long, 18—21 days; contagious very early.

**SYMPTOMS.** Chilliness. Slight fever. Pains in limbs. Tumefaction and soreness in one or both parotid regions. Disease reaches its height in four days; then declines. Very rarely runs on to suppuration. Occasionally, during or after decline, testicles or mammae become painful and swollen. Sometimes vomiting and collapse come on.

**TREATMENT.** Mild diet. Cold acidulated drinks. Ice. Gentle laxatives. Solution of acetate of ammonia, 349. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Hot fomentations. Linseed poultices.

**MUSCÆ VOLITANTES.**—From *Musca*, a fly: *Volito*, to fly about.

Synon. *Flocci Volitantes*.—Little specks, or floating black spots, which fly over the field of vision. Due to minute floating bodies, usually in the vitreous humour. Their presence generally gives rise to very unnecessary alarm. Quite compatible with lasting good sight.

**MUSCULAR TUMOUR.** Synon. *Phantom Tumour*.—From some peculiar action of diaphragm and other abdominal muscles, an appearance results exactly resembling that caused by a large foreign body. Sometimes simulates pregnancy.—*Spurious pregnancy: Grossesse simulée par illusion pure* of French authors. Has been mistaken for ovarian tumour.—An erroneous sensation of a tumour often communicated to the hand by irregular contractions of recti muscles and distension of the bowels in sensitive subjects.

**SYMPTOMS.** Abdominal cavity appears to be entirely or partially filled by a foreign body, or by pregnant uterus. Swelling may be firm and unyielding; or it changes its position from day to day; or appears movable and as if attached by a pedicle. Sometimes, tenderness on pressure. Borborygmi on auscultation. Resonance on percussion, unless there be much fat. Arching forwards of lower dorsal and upper lumbar vertebræ. Swelling occasionally melts away under influence of prolonged manipulation; always dispersed on placing patient under full influence of chloroform.

General health usually bad. Anæmia. Hysteria. Irregularity of uterine functions. Dyspepsia. Ovarian irritation; uterine disease.

**TREATMENT.** Improvement of general health. Cure of uterine or ovarian disease.—Bark and mineral acids, 376. Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Steel and aloes, 393, 404. Strychnia and steel, 408. Zinc and nux vomica, 409. Valerianate of zinc, 410. Hypophosphite of soda, 419. Cod liver oil. Nourishing diet. Galvanism. Sea bathing. Shampooing. Support by abdominal belt or bandage.

**MYALGIA.**—From *Mūs*, a muscle; *ἀλγέω*, to suffer pain.—Stiffness, cramp, soreness, or pain, in the voluntary muscles or their tendinous prolongations. Arises from fatigue.—Muscles of trunk more commonly attacked than those of extremities; of abdominal walls, than of thoracic; and of legs than of arms. Tendinous parts more frequently the seat of pain than the fleshy: the portions of tendons usually affected being the spot where they are inserted into bone, or where the tendinous joins the muscular fibre (Inman).

Myalgia common during progress of scurvy, tuberculosis, cancer, chlorosis, leucocythemia, chronic dysentery or diarrhoea, prolonged lactation, exhausting uterine disease, &c. Also during convalescence from hæmorrhage, severe inflammation, parturition, continued fevers, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain: severe in proportion to the general debility; aggravated by any movement which calls affected muscle into play; seldom complained of in the morning after a good night's rest, but



soon following upon a few hours' exertion, and gradually increasing towards night. General health more or less depressed. Skin cool. Pulse natural, or feeble and somewhat quickened. Appetite good. Tongue clean.—In exceptional cases,—fever; night sweats; loss of appetite; impaired digestion; constipation; a disinclination for work of any kind; severe mental depression.

**TREATMENT.** Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil, 389. Steel and cocoa-nut oil, 391. Steel and glycerine, 392. Steel and pepsine, 394. Phosphate of iron, 405. Chloride of ammonium, 60. Hypophosphite of soda and bark, 419. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Subcutaneous injection of morphia or chloroform, 314. Ether spray. Linseed poultices, with belladonna and opium, 297. Friction with belladonna liniment, 281. Partial rest of affected muscle to be ensured by bandage: strips of belladonna or opium plaster. Galvanism. Shampooing.—Animal food: milk or cream: raw eggs: wine, or malt liquors, or whisky, brandy, &c.

**MYCETOMA.**—From *Μύκης, ητος*, the mushroom. Synon. *Fungus Foot of India*.—A destructive parasitic disease. The mucedinous fungus (*Chionyphe Carteri*) eats its way into the metatarsal and tarsal bones, and ultimately into lower extremities of tibia and fibula. Numerous fistulous channels result, becoming filled with rounded black masses of fungus. Observed only in natives of India, who go about with naked feet. Sporules of the fungus get introduced beneath the cuticle, through some scratch or abrasion. Amputation seems to be the only resource.

**MYELITIS.**—From *Μυελός*, marrow; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Spino-dorsitis*; *Rachialgitis*; *Inflammatio Medullæ Spinalis*.—Inflammation of the substance of the spinal cord is a rare disease. Sometimes co-exists with pneumonia, gastro-enteritis, and continued fever. Most common cause is disease of vertebræ. May be due to syphilis or excited by cold, damp, wounds, contusions, &c. Often ends in softening, or suppuration.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Vary according to seat, extent, and acute or chronic character of inflammation. Speaking generally, they are dull pain; paralysis of the parts below the seat of disease, with or without rigidity, and with or without loss of sensation; early implication of the bladder and rectum. If *cranial* portion of cord be affected:—Deep-seated headache; convulsive movements of head and face; head drawn back; inarticulate speech; trismus; difficult deglutition; impeded spasmodic breathing; irregular action of heart; paralysis. If about to prove fatal in acute stage, great prostration; increased dyspnœa; involuntary escape of excretions. When whole thickness of cord above origin of phrenic nerves is attacked, death occurs rapidly from cessation of respiratory movements.—Inflammation of *cervical* portion:—Difficult deglutition: impossibility of raising or supporting head: pain in back of neck; urgent dyspnœa: sense of *pricking and formication* in arms and hands; paralysis of

upper and lower extremities.—Of *dorsal* region :—Pain over affected part ; numbness or pricking sensations in fingers and toes ; paralysis of lower extremities ; dyspnoea ; great palpitation.—Of *lumbar* portion :—Marked paralysis of lower extremities at early period ; abdominal pain, with sensation, as of a cord tied tightly round body ; retention, followed by incontinence of urine, owing to paralysis of bladder ; involuntary stools, from paralysis of sphincter ani.

Pain in affected part of cord less severe than in meningitis ; increased by application of heat (as of hot sponge), and by pressure. Bedsores very apt to form.

**TREATMENT.** Ice-bag to spine, sinapisms, cautery, *pointes de feu*. Calomel and jalap, 140, 159. Jalap and senna, 151. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. Corrosive sublimate and sarsaparilla, 27. Iodide of potassium, 31. Great care necessary to keep patient dry and clean. Bladder to be emptied by catheter, unless urine be passed freely. Bedsores to be prevented by amadou plaster, water-bed, &c.

**MYOCARDITIS.**—From *Mûs*, a muscle ; *καρδία*, the heart ; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Carditis*.—Inflammation of muscular substance of heart.

Seldom occurs as a distinct affection : generally combined with pericarditis, or endocarditis, or both. Walls of left ventricle suffer more frequently than other parts. Action of heart feeble and frequent ; dyspnoea : oppression ; anxiety ; sometimes death from failure of heart action.—Results,—induration of muscular structure from deposit of lymph ; formation of abscesses ; aneurismal dilatation of walls of heart ; softening of heart, and possibly rupture.

**MYOPIA.**—From *Mûw*, to contract ; *ὤψ*, the eye. Synon. *Hypometropia* ; *Short-sightedness* ; *Near-sightedness*.—When the distance at which ordinary type can be easily read is less than twelve inches, the vision is said to be myopic. Near objects are seen distinctly. Myopia most frequently arises from too great a convexity of the cornea, or of the crystalline lens, or both. May be owing to a lengthening of the eyeball : to an undue density of any or of all the refractive media. The rays of light from objects at the usual distance are brought to a focus before they reach the retina, instead of being concentrated upon it. Sometimes associated with strabismus. Myopia rarely decreases as age advances, though popularly believed to do so. It is often hereditary.

In many cases of short-sightedness the iris is either preternaturally contracted, or it possesses unusual irritability. This occurs especially in individuals of a very nervous temperament. Exposure to bright light aggravates this condition. Snow-blindness chiefly due to it ; consisting in a great measure of excessive contraction of pupil.

**TREATMENT.** Avoidance of overwork, examination of minute objects, &c., especially by gas-light.—Well adjusted double concave glasses or spectacles : single eyeglasses are bad. The greater the degree of short-sightedness, the greater must be the concavity of the glasses. The glasses had better be worn only when required. Heat

and congestion about the eyes to be relieved by the eye douche. Where the iris is unusually irritable belladonna gives relief. Where there is disease of choroid, a prolonged course of corrosive sublimate in small doses.

**MYOSITIS.**—From *Mūs*, a muscle; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Myitis*; *Sarcitis*; *Inflammatio Musculorum*.—Inflammation of muscular fibre is a rare affection. May occur from injury, over-exertion, disease of adjoining textures, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain: greatly aggravated by any movement of affected muscle. Heat and swelling; the latter often distinct, simulating a tumour. Symptomatic fever. May terminate in induration; or softening; or suppuration; or even gangrene.

**TREATMENT.** Hot fomentations. Rest. Opium. Nourishing food, in proportion to the failure of general strength.

**NÆVUS.**—As if *Gnævus*, from *γενέω*, whence *γίγνω*, to be born; because the blemish is congenital. Synon. *Nævus Maternus*; *Mother's Mark*: *Erectile* or *Vascular Tumour*; *Aneurism by Anastomosis*.—A growth formed by enlarged and dilated arteries, veins, or capillary vessels.

*Arterial* nævi more commonly begin in youth than infancy. The diseased vessels become enlarged and elongated and tortuous; forming a tumour of irregular shape, which is spongy and compressible and pulsating. A loud superficial bruit is audible.—*Venous* nævi give rise to irregular tumours of a purple colour; which feel doughy, and are diminished in size by pressure. They may be as small as a nut, or as large as an orange.—*Capillary* nævi most common. Usually congenital. Commence as vivid red or purplish spots, which gradually spread. May affect the skin and subcutaneous areolar tissue of any part: more commonly met with on scalp or face or neck, then on back or buttocks or organs of generation.—Nævi of a *mixed* character not rare.

**TREATMENT.** When small, producing no disfigurement, and not increasing in size, they are best left alone. Occasionally, spontaneous cure occurs. Interference being necessary attempts must be made,—To excite adhesive inflammation so as to coagulate the blood and obliterate the vessels; or to destroy the growth by caustics; or to effect removal by knife or ligature.

(1) *To excite adhesive inflammation.*—Vaccination, making several punctures at circumference of spot and one or two on surface, so as to produce a confluent vesicle. Compression; by a piece of sheet-lead and bandage, or by the finger applied for some hours; or painting with collodium. Frictions with compound iodine, or croton oil, or red iodide of mercury, or tartarated antimony ointments. Equal parts of tartarated antimony and resin plaster mixed and melted together, and spread on thin leather: the nævus is to be accurately covered with this plaster, which should be kept on until pustulation and sloughing are set up. Congelation: either by application of ice, or ice and salt in a piece of bladder; or by ether spray, two or three times a week.

until a cure is effected. Dotting the surface with a small and practical cautery. Setons; passing several threads with a common sewing-needle in all directions, across the tumour, and leaving until suppuration is excited. Breaking up substance of growth cutaneously, by a common dissecting-needle. Injection of a few drops of tincture of perchloride of iron, or of tincture of iodine, with a pointed syringe.—Passing a needle under the growth, when it is raised, and twisting a thread around it so as to cause considerable pressure, and allowing it to remain for forty-eight hours (Fergusson).—Insertion of two needles, at right angles to each other, under the mass, and winding of a ligature round the whole. Immediate withdrawal of needles; ligature to be untied in four hours. A scab forms, and drops off in ten or fourteen days; no suppuration nor opening. Without destroying the nævus, sufficient obstruction is caused to allow the blood in the tissue to get consolidated (Cooper Forster).

(2) *Destruction by caustics or electrolysis*.—Nitric acid, or solution of nitrate of mercury repeated once or oftener. Potassa Super-sulphate of zinc, 198. Electrolysis and coagulation of blood by galvanism, needles being passed into the growth connected with the poles of a battery, a very successful mode of treatment. A practical cautery; free application, so as to ensure complete destruction.

(3) *Removal by knife or ligature*.—Use of knife rarely advised, if employed, the incisions must be made wide of the disease, to prevent hæmorrhage will be great. Where the nævus has a distinct capsule, the tumour may be enucleated; using the knife cautiously, but keeping it close to the investing capsule.—Ligature, safe and convenient, may be used in many ways. Amongst other plans, the ligatures may be passed subcutaneously around the nævus, and tightened so as to strangulate it, without involving the skin. Or a needle carrying a double thread can be passed through the centre of the base of the growth, and the ligatures tied round each hemispherical division, making an incision or groove through the skin in which the ligatures may lie. In either case, the ligatures may have to be tightened in four or five days, or an elastic ligature may be employed. As growths of this form, any tendency to nævus growth must be checked by application of nitric acid.—In nævi within the orbit, or in other inaccessible parts, it has been found necessary to tie the nutrient vessel, and a ligature of the common carotid had been resorted to under such circumstances.

**NASAL LIPOMA.**—From *Λίπος*, fat.—Hypertrophy of skin and subcutaneous tissue of apex and alæ of nose. Most common in persons who are advanced in years and have lived very freely. When growth is considerable, a cure can only be effected by paring off the redundant tissue. In other cases, increase in size may be prevented by careful diet; avoidance of intoxicating drinks; frequent use of astringent washes.

**NASAL POLYPUS.**—From *Πολύς*, many; *πούς*, a foot. Nasal polypus is of three kinds:—Mucous, or gelatinous; fibrous; and medu-

**SYMPTOMS.** A sense of stuffiness in one or both nostrils. Frequent desire to blow the nose, with no relief on doing so. Increased mucous discharge. Attacks of bleeding—epistaxis. Impairment of smell and taste. When uninterfered with, displacement of septum of nose; deafness from pressure on Eustachian tube; indistinctness of articulation; deformity of cheek from expansion of bones; obstruction to tears; and even fatal cerebral pressure. These tumours very apt to return again and again, after removal.

**TREATMENT.** Removal by strong, toothed, slightly curved forceps, applied to neck of growth, so as to twist it off. Removal by the "noose,"—encircling the peduncle with a wire, and tearing away the tumour with it. Employment of tannic acid as a snuff. Astringent injections.

**NECRÆMIA.**—From *Nεκρός*, dead; *αἷμα*, blood. Death of the blood, as perhaps occurs in cases of blood poisoning—typhus, small-pox, &c.

**NECROSIS.**—From *Nεκρώω*, to produce mortification or decay. The death of a portion of tissue. Usually applied to mortification, &c. Mortification or death of a bone, or portion of a bone. *Osteonecrosis*; *Osteogangræna*.—May be acute, when it is very liable to cause pyæmia, or sub-acute, or chronic, when part of the shaft of a cylindrical bone dies, and is enclosed in a case of new bone. *Exfoliation* signifies necrosis of a thin superficial layer, which is not encased in any shell of new bone (Druitt).

Acute necrosis may attack any of the long bones, and is usually traceable to injury, which may be very slight, in a debilitated constitution. The less acute form frequently attacks the tibia in children; the phalanges, from whitlow: the skull and clavicle, from syphilis. May arise, from mechanical injury, or from inflammation however set up. A peculiar form of necrosis of the lower jaw occurs amongst the makers of lucifer matches, being produced by the fumes of phosphorus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Of acute necrosis severe pain and very high fever with early delirium. It is often mistaken for acute rheumatism, but examination shows the pain and tenderness to be in the shaft of the bone and not in the joints. Pyæmic symptoms soon follow. In sub-acute necrosis indications of osteitis. Suppuration, with formation of sinuses, or cloacæ; through which, on passing a probe, the bare dead bone (the *sequestrum*) can be touched. Abundant fetid discharge. Inflammatory fever. Separation of sequestrum from the living bone after a variable interval. Disease very chronic.

**TREATMENT.** In the acute form an incision to be made at once down to the bone to set free the pus confined beneath the periosteum. Sometimes entire shaft of bone removed. Incision and removal of sequestrum as soon as it is detached, and when it can only act as an irritating foreign body.

**NEPHRALGIA.**—Synon. *Renal Colic*.—Severe pain in region of kidney and along ureter; usually due to passage of a calculus.

**NEPHRITIS.**—From *Nephros*, the kidney; terminal *-itis*.—Under this head may be arranged for convenience:—Inflammation of the substance of the kidney; acute desquamative nephritis; chronic desquamative nephritis.

**1. Nephritis.**—Synon. *Nephrophlegmone*; *Inflammatio Renum*; *Inflammation of substance of Kidney*.—Comparatively a rare disease. May arise without appreciable exciting cause, especially in strumous subjects; from exposure to cold and damp; gravel and calculi; mechanical injuries; poor living combined with intemperance; abuse of diuretics; use of cantharides, oil of turpentine, &c. May end in resolution; or go on to suppuration, variable sized abscesses resulting, which sometimes destroy entire gland. Inflammation of mucous lining of pelvis and infundibula, is known as *pyelitis*. *Pyelitis* consequent upon stricture of the urethra, stone in the bladder, &c., associated with acute inflammation of the kidney proper, has been called the Surgical Kidney.

**SYMPTOMS.** Severe pains in loins, increased by pressure or exercise: pain often extending along ureter to neck of bladder, groin, scrotum, or testicle. Numbness of thigh: retraction of testicle. Much constitutional disturbance: shivering, fever, nausea, and vomiting, hard and frequent and full pulse, constipation, tympanites. Frequent and urgent desire to empty bladder: urine high coloured, often contains renal casts with blood and pus corpuscles. Sometimes, suppression of urine; with uræmia, convulsions, and coma. When recovery follows, foundation for future renal disease often laid.

When one or more abscesses form, they perhaps lead to ulceration, perforation of capsule, renal fistulæ, and establishment of a purulent discharge. Sometimes, fatal hectic fever. In more favourable cases, pus passes away by natural passages and is found in the urine.—Renal abscess may also be a secondary affection: due to irritation of a calculus, obstructive diseases of urinary passages, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Hot hip baths. Vapour, or hot air baths. Fomentations. Poultices. Mild aperients. Diaphoretics, especially such as contain opium if there be uræmic symptoms. Rest in bed, preferably between blankets. Low diet; with tea, milk, ice, and simple diluents. Sinapisms to epigastrium if there be sickness.—Stimulants, tonics, and support as soon as prostration sets in, or there are indications of suppuration. Abscess to be opened. In chronic suppuration kidney may be removed.—See *Uræmia*.

**2. Acute Desquamative Nephritis.**—Synon. *Tubular Nephritis*; *Nephria*; *Acute Diffuse Nephritis*; *Acute Albuminous Nephritis*; *Acute Bright's Disease*; *Acute Inflammatory Dropsy*.—Has its origin in many causes,—intemperance, starvation, exposure to wet and cold, but especially scarlet fever. Characterized by excessive proliferation of epithelium of convoluted tubes of kidneys, with congestion of Malpighian tufts. There is effusion of serum and fibrin from the congested Malpighian vessels into the tubes; the serum mingles with urine, and renders it albuminous; the fibrin coagulates in the tubes and forms casts, which may be detected in urine, usually

entangling epithelium. Walls of vessels also usually give way, and blood corpuscles therefore found entangled in the casts; then urine will present a dark-coloured sediment. The undue proliferation of the epithelium of the tubes chokes them, and obstructs secretion. Kidneys large, soft, and very vascular; cortex pale from amount of epithelium in the tubes; Malpighian bodies form bright red points: pyramids dark and congested; kidneys much enlarged.

Occasionally there is general dropsy and albuminuria without desquamation of renal epithelium—*non-desquamative disease of kidney*. Often attended with prominent symptoms of blood-poisoning; owing to some failure and imperfection in effort to eliminate morbid material from system (George Johnson).

**SYMPTOMS.** Chilliness, rigors: soon followed by feverish reaction, headache, thirst, restlessness, pain and tenderness about loins, vomiting. Dropsy: face puffy, general œdema and effusion of serum into one or more of serous cavities. Frequent micturition: urine scanty, of a dark smoky colour, highly albuminous, abundance of fibrinous and epithelial casts, renal epithelium, blood casts, and free blood corpuscles.—Earliest signs of amendment,—disappearance or lessening of dropsy; increase in quantity of urine; steady diminution of albumen. In unfavourable cases,—suppression of urine; uræmia, or effusion into serous cavities, peritoneum, pleura, pericardium.

**TREATMENT.** *At onset:*—Confinement to bed; preferably between blankets. Low diet: free allowance of milk, tea, whey, cold water, barley water, lemonade, ice. Hot water baths. Blanket-baths, 136. Hot air, or vapour baths. Dry cupping to loins. Linseed poultices to loins. Compound jalap powder. Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Sulphate of magnesia and antimonial wine, 152. Sulphate of magnesia, and sulphate of iron. Resin of podophyllum, 160. Elaterium, 157. Solution of acetate of ammonia. Citrate of potash. Nitrate of potash and nitrous ether, 212. *At end of a few days:*—Tincture of perchloride of iron, 392, 397. Phosphate of iron, 405. Iron-alum, 116. Quinine. Animal food; milk; raw eggs. Bordeaux or Hungarian wines. Warm clothing: flannel next the skin. Avoidance of spirits and beer: of exposure to cold and damp.—For uræmic poisoning, see *Uræmia*.

*Remedies occasionally employed:*—Bloodletting. Cupping. Leeches. Blisters. Tartarated antimony. Colchicum. Digitalis and broom. Digitalis and acid tartrate of potash. Chloroform.

**3. Chronic Desquamative Nephritis.**—Synon. *Chronic Diffuse Nephritis; Chronic Bright's Disease; Contracted Granular Kidney; Gouty Kidney; Cirrhosis of Kidney.*—May result from acute desquamative nephritis: more frequently due to chronic gout, or some allied disorder. Pathology differently represented. According to Dr. Geo. Johnson characterised by long-continued shedding of renal epithelium, which appears in urine in a more or less disintegrated state. The tubes lose their epithelial lining, and become atrophied or filled with new material; or sometimes get dilated into cysts. According to Virchow, Dickinson, and others, the morbid process is inter-

tubular, consisting in proliferation and fibrillation, or cirrhosis of matrix in which vessels and tubes embedded, commencing at surface, extending inwards, strangling vessels, and tubes. Kidney becomes granular and contracted. Urine pale, slightly albuminous: of a low density: contains granular epithelial casts.

**SYMPTOMS.** Come on insidiously. Run their course slowly. Health gradually fails. Debility and loss of flesh. Urine copious, pale, of low density, contains albumen often only in small amount; deposits whitish sediment, in which granular epithelial casts and epithelium. Œdema usually only slight; sometimes anasarca or dropsy of one or more serous cavities. Inflammation of serous membranes. Resistance to circulation of blood, which is impure and deteriorated, whence high tension in arteries, hypertrophy of muscular coat of arterioles, and hypertrophy of heart, which almost always present; sometimes valvular disease induced. Structural changes in, or great functional disturbances of, nervous centres. Retinitis and retinal degeneration. Death may result from uræmia, or from inflammation of lungs, pericardium, &c., or from cerebral hæmorrhage.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of prominent symptoms. Simple nourishing food. Attention to functions of skin. Cure of any gouty condition. Improvement of blood by ferruginous tonics. Sea air.

**NEURALGIA.**—From *Νεύρον*, a nerve; *ἄλγος*, suffering. Synon *Neurodynia*; *Nervous Pang*.—Violent pain in the trunk or branch of a nerve, occurring in paroxysms, perhaps at nearly equidistant intervals. May attack nerves of head, trunk, or extremities: subcutaneous nerves of these regions suffer most frequently. Where branches of affected nerves pass through a foramen or pierce fascia to become superficial, tender points developed.

**VARIETIES.** When the pain affects branches of fifth pair of nerves, —*neuralgia faciei*, or *tic douloureux*: certain nerves about head, —*hemicrania*: sciatic nerve, *sciatica*.—Some authorities regard angina pectoris as neuralgia of cardiac nerves: gastrodynia, as a similar disease of nerves of stomach.

(1) *Tic Douloureux*:—May affect either of three chief branches of fifth pair of nerves. Where pain depends upon morbid condition of first or ophthalmic branch, the frontal ramification of it—supra-orbital nerve—is most frequently attacked; suffering referred chiefly to forehead. Tender points over supra-orbital foramen and supra-trochlear notch. Supposing second or superior maxillary branch is seat of complaint, infra-orbital nerve most commonly affected; symptoms consist of excruciating pain shooting over cheek, lower eyelid, alæ of nose, and upper lip. Tender point over infra-orbital foramen and sometimes over malar bone. *Tic douloureux* of third or inferior maxillary branch is generally confined to inferior dental nerve, especially to portion which emerges from mental foramen and extends to lower lip; pain referred to lower lip, alveolar process, teeth, chin, and side of tongue. Tender point over mental foramen. A distressing and *obstinate variety* is when the act of eating or a touch in the area of



the inferior division of the fifth nerve brings on a dart of exquisite pain in the teeth, cheek, and tongue.

Whichever nerve suffers, the torture is usually confined to one-half of face. Attack comes on suddenly, patient at once putting up his hand to press the seat of suffering: it greatly increases in severity, gets lancinating and burning; often ceases suddenly. Attack perhaps preceded by derangement of digestive organs; by dyspnœa; by slight rigors followed by heat. Sometimes absent for weeks, and then almost constant paroxysms for many days. In some cases there is muscular spasm in the painful part, true "tic;" sometimes flushing or lacrymation. Often attended with spasm of the muscles. May be due to dyspepsia; anæmia; renal disease; disease of facial bones; organic disease of brain; disease of teeth or gums; poison of malaria, &c.

(2) *Hemicrania*.—Headache affecting one side of brow and forehead. Often accompanied with sickness. Sometimes periodical. Has been called *Sun-pain*, as at times it only continues so long as sun is above horizon.

(3) *Sciatica*.—Acute pain following course of great sciatic nerve. Extends from sciatic notch down posterior surface of thigh to popliteal space, and often along nerves of leg to foot. May be due to pressure of intestinal accumulations, of simple or malignant uterine tumours. Other causes,—inflammation, rheumatism, gouty or syphilitic taint, malaria, over-fatigue, exposure to cold and wet.

(4) *Other varieties*.—*Brachialgia*. Pain in branches of brachial plexus. Neuralgia of cervical plexus; great occipital nerve, &c. *Intercostal neuralgia*. Neuralgia of abdominal viscera. *Hepatalgia*. *Enteralgia*, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of cause. (Neuralgia the cry of an impoverished nerve for better blood). Improvement of health. Purgatives, only if actually required. *General Remedies*.—Nourishing diet: regulated amount of bitter ale, stout, or other alcoholic stimulants: raw eggs: milk, in place of tea and coffee. Warm clothing: flannel next the skin, or chamois leather jackets and drawers. Warm, tepid, or cold salt water baths. Turkish bath. Friction of skin.

*Drugs*.—Aloes, gentian, and liquor potassæ, 148. Sulphate, or phosphate, of soda, 148, 149. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Croton oil (in sciatica from fecal accumulation), 168, 191. Quinine, 379. Quinine, steel, and arsenic, 381. Arsenic. Phosphorus. Cod liver oil, 389. Iodide of iron and cod liver oil, 390. Steel and pepsine, 394. Steel and arsenic, 399. Phosphate of iron, 405. Strychnia and steel, 408. Valerianate of zinc, quinine, steel, or ammonia, 410. Sulphate of zinc, 413. Hypophosphite of soda, or lime, 419. Iodide of potassium, 31. Guaiacum and aconite, 43, 330. Colchicum, 46. Turpentine, 50. Chloride of ammonium, 60. Opium, 340, 345. Morphia, &c., 317. Hypodermic injections of morphia, or atropine, or aconitine, 314. Chloroform inhalation, 313. Stramonium, 323. Belladonna, or atropia, 326. Digitalis, 334. Conium. Galbanum. Glonoin. Oxygen inhalation. Salicin. Sabadilla. Sulphate of beberia. Arnica. Musk.

*Topical Expedients*.—Division of affected nerve. Nerve stretch-

ing. Removal of tumours and foreign bodies. Extraction of decayed teeth. Application of iodine. Blisters, dusting raw surface with from 10 to 15 minims of tincture of aconite; the effect of the application to be watched. Spray of pure ether. Aconitine, 296. Veratria, 304. Belladonna, with opium or mercury, 297, 298. Chloroform, belladonna, and aconite, 281, 282. Belladonna and glycerine, 265. Hypodermic injections of morphia, &c., 314. Cyanide of potassium. Hot douches of medicated water. Continuous galvanic current. Acupuncture. Dry cupping.

**NEURITIS.**—From *Νεύρον*, a nerve; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Neurophlogosis*; *Neurophlegmone*.—Inflammation of a nerve is a rare disease. Usually due to a bruise or wound, or to inclusion of some nervous branch in a ligature when taking up an artery. May perhaps arise spontaneously in gouty or rheumatic subjects.

**SYMPTOMS.** Severe and continuous pain along trunk of nerve and its ramifications with tenderness. Feverishness. Restlessness, especially at night. Wasting of muscles. "Smooth skin," *i.e.*, skin shining, red, thin, sometimes other trophic changes, ulceration, &c. In chronic form, symptoms of neuralgia.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium. Aconite. Colchicum. Local use of belladonna. Acupuncture. Hypodermic injection, in neighbourhood of pain, of morphia or aconite, 314. Fomentations. Water dressing. Rest of affected part.

**NEUROMA.**—From *Νεύρον*, a nerve.—A solid or cystic tumour, connected with a nerve. Solid growths are of a fibrous nature, consisting of dense plastic matter, implicating neurilemma and nerve-fibres. Occasionally, nerve-fibres merely spread over tumour, without being involved in its texture. Painful cutaneous tumours, probably a variety of neuroma.

Neuromatous tumours may form spontaneously. Single, more painful than multiple, growths. May result from a wound or other injury: occasionally produced on ends of nerve after amputation.

**SYMPTOMS.** Neuromatous growths vary in size from a barleycorn to a melon. Occur most frequently on spinal nerves: branches of ganglionic system very rarely affected. Growth steady but slow. Of an oval or oblong form; long axis corresponding with direction of nerve to which there is attachment. Darting pains: much increased by moving tumour in direction of nerve. Occasionally convulsions induced by pressure or motion of growth.—In traumatic neuroma, growth single: source of paroxysmal pains, like shocks of galvanism.

**TREATMENT.** Excision offers the only hope of cure. Tumour to be carefully dissected out, if possible. When complete excision is adopted, the ends of divided nerve to be brought into apposition by sutures: by maintaining continuity there is no loss of power in parts supplied by the nerve.

**NOSTALGIA.**—From *Νοστήω*, to return; *ἄλγος*, suffering. Synon. *Nostomania*; *Home-sickness*—The ungratified desire to return home

may give rise to symptoms of melancholia. Great bodily and mental depression. Loss of appetite. Inability to procure sound sleep. In some cases there has been a gradual wasting, delirium, and fatal prostration. When other diseases supervene on nostalgia, the danger of the former is greatly increased. Kind treatment, amusement, outdoor exercise, nourishing food, remedies to induce sleep, and attention to the secretions, may afford relief for a time. A temporary return home often suffices to effect a cure.

**NYCTALOPIA.**—From *Nύξ*, evening; *ᾠπτομαι*, to see.—That condition in which vision is most powerful during twilight. The opposite state to hemeralopia.—See *Amaurosis*.

**OBESITY.**—From *Obesus*, fat or gross. Synon. *Polysarcia*; *Poly-sarcosis*.—The over-accumulation of fat under the integuments and around some of the viscera constitutes obesity. Not to be confounded with fatty degeneration of tissues. The term *corpulency* to be retained for those cases where the amount of fat does not constitute a disease.

**SYMPTOMS.** Impeded play of various important organs. Diminution of bodily and mental activity. Disturbances of organs of respiration, circulation, and digestion. Parting on slight exertion. Blood comparatively deficient in quantity or quality. Weakness of muscles. Countenance bloated and sallow. Liability to gouty and neuralgic affections. Obesity not conducive to longevity. Sudden death not uncommon.

Partial obesity,—e.g., fatty tumours, fatty accumulation around heart, fatty-omentum or “pot-belly.”

**CAUSES.** Hereditary tendency. Over-feeding. Consumption of large quantities of fluid. Indolence, and too much sleep. Excessive use of fatty, farinaceous, vegetable, and saccharine foods. Fat is formed in the body from food containing it; also from chemical transformation of starch and sugar.

**TREATMENT.** *Hygienic*.—Diet of meat, white fish, green vegetables, biscuit or dry toast, tea, claret, sherry. Avoidance, more or less complete, of bread, butter, milk, sugar, beer, potatoes, beans, and soup. Exercise. Seven hours for sleep. *Medicinal*.—Bromide of ammonium, ʒi. Carbonate of ammonia. Magnesia. Colchicum.

Diminution of weight not to exceed one pound a week. General health, state of appetite, and condition of bowels to be watched.

*Remedies formerly employed*.—Bleeding from the arm, or jugular vein. Dry cupping. Prolonged blistering. Vegetable diet with vinegar. Acids, except the nitric and phosphoric. Turkish baths. Hot baths. Salt water baths. Baths of Aix, Spa, Forges, Rouen, and Acqui. Occasional starvation. Guaiacum and sassafras. Scarifications. Grief and anxiety to be induced. Purgatives. Diuretics. Preparations of iodine and bromine. Liquor potassæ. Fucus vesiculosus. Emetics. Digitalis. Tobacco. Soap. Salt. Mercury. Inhalation of oxygen gas.

**ŒDEMA.**—From *Oιδέω*, to swell. Synon. *Hydroœdema*; *Hydronecus*.—Dropsy of the subcutaneous areolar tissue of any one region.

**TREATMENT.** Elaterium, 157. Acid tartrate of potash, 228. Compound jalap powder. Compound scammony powder. Acetate of potash. Digitalis and squills, 219. Gin. Acupuncture.—See *Anasarca Dropsy*.

**ŒSOPHAGEAL CANCER.**—From *Οισοφάγος*, the swallow. Synon. *Cancer of the Gullet*.—May occur through whole length and circumference of tube, or be very limited. Of scirrhus, medullary, or epithelial variety: latter most common. Generally fatal within a year from commencement.

**SYMPTOMS.** Soreness of throat. Difficulty in swallowing. Occasionally cutting pain in ears. Frequent, sometimes constant, sickness. Decided obstruction: after a time, not a particle of food reaches stomach. Formation of a pouch above constriction, in which food lodges, returning unaltered. Burning pain in canal, back, or between shoulders. Cough, or hiccough. Hæmorrhage. Wasting. Debility. Cancerous cachexia.

**TREATMENT.** Ice, to relieve thirst. Iced milk. Opium, or morphia, 315, 317. Opium by rectum, 339, 340. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Nutrient enemata, 21, 22, 23. Sometimes, a large gum elastic catheter (No. 14) may be passed through contracted œsophagus and left in: so that cream, solution of raw beef, wine and opium may be injected through it every four or six hours. Gastrotomy may prolong life for many months.

**ŒSOPHAGEAL STRICTURE.** From *Οισοφάγος*, the swallow.—Stricture of the gullet may be organic or functional (spasmodic):—

**1. Organic Stricture.**—Generally the result of an attempt to swallow some corrosive poison.

**SYMPTOMS.** At first, vomiting. Pain about œsophagus, perhaps darting through to between shoulders. An apparent cure, after rest and simple diet and demulcent drinks.—At end of some nine or twelve months, dysphagia, which increases gradually; emaciation from inability, which has been gradually increasing for several weeks, to take solid food.—A gum elastic catheter can generally be introduced; through which solution of raw beef, cream, and port wine can be injected into stomach. By gradual use of larger and larger tube, stricture appears to be cured. Patient is perhaps removed from observation. But in a few months, all the symptoms return: the wasting and anæmia become extreme: no instrument can be passed down œsophagus: and death occurs from starvation, in spite of nutrient enemata.

**TREATMENT.** The only remedy of any avail, consists of dilatation by frequent use of bougies for many months. At first, a gum elastic catheter can be constantly worn. Subsequently, a bougie ought to be introduced at least twice a week.—In hopeless cases, it may be justifiable to make an incision through abdominal parietes into

stomach; forming an opening sufficiently large to allow of daily introduction of food. Gastrostomy can be performed with knife: or, by exciting inflammation, adhesion, and ulceration with potassa fusa.

**2. Spasmodic Stricture.** Synon. *Œsophagospasmus*; *Tenesmus Gulæ*; *Dysphagia Spasmodica*.—Like the urethra and bronchial tubes, the œsophagus may be affected with spasmodic contraction. Young hysterical women subject to it.

**SYMPTOMS.** Difficulty in swallowing. Sense of fulness and choking under influence of any excitement. Langour. Anæmia, &c. Spasmodic cannot be confounded with permanent stricture, because dysphagia is only temporary: a bougie passes with little or no difficulty: symptoms aggravated when patient's attention is directed to them.

**TREATMENT.** Ammonia and assafœtida, 86. Ether and chloroform, 85. Assafœtida and chiretta, 89. Valerianate of quinine, 414. Valerianate of zinc, 410. Phosphate of zinc, 414. Strychnia and steel, 408. Compound iron mixture and aloes, 393. Cod liver oil. Galvanism. Cold shower bath. Nourishing food. Cure of any general or uterine disorder which may be present.

**ŒSOPHAGISM.**—From *Οἰσοφάγος*, the swallow.—A nervous disorder, in which the symptoms are allied to those produced by spasmodic stricture.

**SYMPTOMS.** An individual fancies he has swallowed a pin, or fish bone, or other hard substance, and that it can be felt sticking in the gullet. Irritation increases as the delusion is nourished. There is difficulty in swallowing owing to spasmodic or irregular action of the superior, middle, or inferior constrictor muscles. Even the medical man may be misled by trusting to patient's symptoms; or by feeling with finger in throat, upper edge of cornu of os hyoides, and mistaking it for a foreign body. A careful examination with finger, bougie, or laryngoscopic mirror fails to detect any substance.

**TREATMENT.** Emetics. Galvanism. Quinine, 379. Valerianate of zinc, 410.

**ŒSOPHAGITIS.**—From *Οἰσοφάγος*, the swallow (*οἶω*, to carry; *φάγω*, to eat); terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Angina Œsophagea*; *Dysphagia Inflammatoria*; *Inflammatio Gulæ*.—Inflammation of the œsophagus very rarely a primary disease. Generally a result of strumous diathesis; of one of eruptive fevers; of abuse of alcoholic drinks, or irritating drugs; of use of acrid poisons, &c.—Characterised by dysphagia; symptomatic fever; burning pains shooting from throat to between shoulders; fits of coughing, hiccough; constipation, &c. Suppuration, ulceration, or gangrene may result.—Remedies consist of mucilaginous drinks; milk or cream; aperient enemata; hot fomentations to throat; and perfect quiet, even talking being forbidden.

*Simple ulceration of œsophagus* is attended with difficulty in

swallowing; sometimes so great that deglutition is impossible. Pain at epigastrium, or top of sternum, or between shoulders. Nausea; anxiety; emaciation and debility. Ulceration may extend into trachea, pleura, bronchial tube, pericardium, or aorta. Stricture may result from cicatrization of ulcer.—Chief remedies:—sponging with solution of nitrate of silver (gr. 20 to fl. oz. j). Atomised astringent fluids, 262. Bark. Steel. Quinine. Cod liver oil. Iodide of ammonium. Iodide of potassium. Nourishing food. Sea air. Where death is approaching from starvation, the formation of a gastric fistula should be attempted.

**OLIGÆMIA.**—From *ὀλίγος*, little; *αἷμα*, blood. Synon. *Oligohæmia*; *Hypæmia*; *Hypohæmia*.—Deficiency of blood.—See *Anæmia*.

**ONYCHIA.**—From *ὄνυξ*, a nail. Synon. *Paronychia*; *Onychitis*; *Onychia Maligna*.—An inflammation of the matrix of the nail. May arise from mechanical injury; or from depraved state of constitution.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain and swelling at root of nail, and about surrounding textures. Exudation of sanious discharge on pressure of nail. Nail gets raised, and finally detached, exposing a foul ulcer. Ulcer becomes glazed and irritable: perhaps extends in all directions. Occasionally, necrosis of distal phalanx.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of nail. Ulcer to be dressed with zinc lotion, 264. Nitrate of silver. Nitrate of lead ointment. Local fumigation with calomel. Arsenic, chlorate of potash, and bark, 402. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food.—In syphilitic onychia,—Red iodide of mercury, 54. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Solution of corrosive sublimate, 27. Iodide of potassium, 31.

**ONYXIS.**—From *ὄνυξ*, a nail or hoof. Synon. *Aduncatio Unguium*; *In-growing of the Nail*.—Inflammation and ulceration of side of toe, owing to margin of nail being pressed into the flesh. Ulcer gets covered with flabby and sensitive granulation. Causes great suffering, especially during walking.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of pressure of boot. Nails to be ordinarily cut off square, instead of down inner and outer sides. Scraping side of nail very thin, soaking in hot water, and introduction of pellet of cotton wool so as to separate nail from ulcer. Removal of offending half of nail: anæsthesia, or ether spray. Subsequent dressing with zinc lotion, 264. Excision of bulbiform enlargement close to edge of nail, leaving a sloping surface with the nail overhanging raw surface.

**OPHTHALMIA.**—From *ὀφθαλμός*, the eye.—A general term for inflammation of the eye.—See *Conjunctivitis*; *Sclerotitis*, &c.

**OPHTHALMIA TARSI.**—From *ὀφθαλμός*, the eye: *Τάρος*, a hurdle. Synon. *Blepharophthalmia*; *Blepharotitis*; *Adenophthalmia*.—Inflammation of the palpebral conjunctiva and edge of eyelids;

with formation of minute pustules at roots of eyelashes, the discharge from which produces small crusts matting the hairs together. When attended with much irritation it is sometimes termed *Tinea ciliaris*, or *tinea palpebrarum*, or *psorophthalmia*.

**SYMPTOMS.** When acute, considerable pain and soreness. Usually chronic:—Itching; destruction of tissues which secrete the hairs; a blending of the skin and conjunctiva into a red shining cicatrix. Obliteration of puncta, causing stillicidium lachrymarum.—See *Epi-phora*.

**TREATMENT.** *Internally*:—Improvement of general health. Tonics. Alteratives. Arsenic and steel. Cod liver oil. Animal food: milk. Change of air.—*Locally*:—Great cleanliness to prevent accumulation of crusts. Eyelashes to be cut off close. Ointments, properly diluted, of nitrate of mercury, red oxide of mercury, or of oxide of zinc. Diluted solution of subacetate of lead. In obliteration of the lower punctum, the whole course of the canaliculus to be slit up to the caruncle, so as to lay open the canal and extend its orifice backwards to the point where the tears accumulate (Bowman).

**ORCHITIS.**—From *ὄρχις*, a testicle; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Hernia Humoralis*.—Inflammation of the testicle.—See *Testitis*.

**ORTHOPNŒA.**—From *ὀρθός*, erect; *πνέω*, to breathe.—Excessive difficulty of breathing, so that the sufferer has to maintain erect position. Often present in asthma, bronchitis, pneumonia, dropsy, valvular and other affections of the heart, &c.

**OSTEITIS.**—From *ὀστέον*, a bone; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Ostitis*.—Inflammation of bone arises from same causes as periostitis. Where the latter is of long duration, the former arises.

**SYMPTOMS.** Great tenderness. Deep seated pain, aggravated at night; influenced also by weather. Enlargement of affected bone.

**TREATMENT.** See *Periostitis*.—Where suppuration occurs, and the medullary canal and cancellous structure get filled with pus, tonics and free supply of nourishment required. Amputation sometimes necessary. See *Osteomyelitis*.—In circumscribed abscesses of cancellated structure of either extremity of tibia, trephining the bone must be resorted to, so as to let out the pus.

**OSTEOID CANCER** (*Osteo-sarcoma*).—From *ὀστέον*, a bone.—These cancers usually grow from some bone, and especially from the lower part of femur. They belong to the sarcomatous class of malignant tumours; expand and destroy the bony structures, and are usually attended with severe pain. They are malignant and quickly fatal; and they give rise to secondary deposits in areolar tissue, lymphatics, lungs, &c.—See *Cancer*.

**OSTEOMALACIA.**—From *ὀστέον*, a bone; *μαλακός*, soft. Synon. *Mollities Ossium*; *Malacosteon*; *Rachitis Adultorum*; Softening of the Bones.—The characteristic feature of this disease, as of rickets, is

a deficiency of phosphate of lime in the bones, so that they become soft and unnaturally flexible. The morbid action induces fatty degeneration of the osseous tissue. The affection is constitutional, and has been attributed to the presence of lactic acid in the blood dissolving out the lime salts. The whole skeleton is usually affected, producing distressing and remarkable deformity. Women beyond the age of forty are most obnoxious to it: the pelvis often first attacked in childbearing women. Large quantities of earthy salts are passed in the urine. The general health becomes hopelessly impaired: gradual loss of flesh and strength. Severe and intractable pains of a rheumatic character: spontaneous fractures. Sooner or later, in spite of tonics and opiates and nourishing food, death.

**OSTEOMYELITIS.**—From *ὀστέον*, a bone; *μύελος*, marrow; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Medullitis*; *Endosteitis*.—Inflammation of the medullary membrane lining the central canals of long bones, as well as the cells of the flat and irregular bones; which delicate vascular membrane secretes the medulla, and is continued into the cells of the cancelli and the Haversian canals.

Generally the result of injury: a frequent cause of death after amputation and other operations on bone. The symptoms are usually obscure, being masked by accompanying inflammation and suppuration of soft parts. High fever with pain, sometimes taken to be acute rheumatism. It causes the periosteum to recede or separate from surface of the bone. Liable to give rise to pyæmia. But little modified by medicines. Free incision. Removal of entire shaft of bone, leaving the periosteum. Amputation of limb, or of remainder of limb, often necessary—See *Osteitis*.

**OTALGIA.**—From *ὄψ*, the ear; *ἄλγος*, pain. Synon. *Otodyne*; *Earache*.—May be *symptomatic* of inflammation of ear, or of presence of foreign bodies in external meatus, or of tonsillitis, or of disorder of primæ viæ, or of rheumatism of the head, &c.; or it may be *idiopathic*,—true neuralgia of auditory nerves. In latter case, suffering most severe on invasion; unlike the pain in otitis, it does not increase in severity, is unattended by fever, and often disappears suddenly. Nervous otalgia may be connected with imperfect performance of functions of stomach or liver; or may arise from uterine derangement; or may occur in early stage of utero-gestation; or may be due to a carious tooth, the branches of the fifth pair of nerves supplying both the tooth and the ear; or it perhaps alternates with sciatica, *tic-douloureux*, &c. Sometimes pain very severe; it frequently shoots through nervous filaments distributed over same side of face and head, causing much suffering and restlessness.

**TREATMENT.** When symptomatic, attention to be directed to primary disease.—When idiopathic, mild purgatives; quinine; opium; Indian hemp. Application of a small blister behind affected ear; local use of chloroform vapour, aconite liniment, cotton wool saturated with laudanum, steam of decoction of poppy heads, linseed poultices, the boiled bulb of common onion or of garlic. Carious teeth to be *extracted or stopped*.



Noises in the ears (tinnitus aurium), deafness, confusion in the head, &c., may arise from various conditions, among others from *accumulation of cerumen* in external meatus. The wax to be removed by thoroughly syringing with warm water; or with solution of carbonate of potash (gr. 10 to fl. oz. j.) Avoid mistaking deafness and singing in the ears, owing to the pressure of a mass of hard wax on the membrane of the tympanum, for symptoms of incipient cerebral disease.

**OTITIS.**—From *Ot̄s*, the ear; terminal *-itis*. *Synon. Inflammatio Auris; Inflammation of the Ear.*—Various parts of the organ of hearing may be attacked:—

**1. Inflammation of External Meatus.**—*Synon. External Otitis; Otitis Catarrhalis.*—The sensitive dermis of the canal may become inflamed from introduction of irritating matters, an accumulation of hard wax, blows on side of head, cold, syphilis, gouty state of system, impoverished blood, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Dull aching pain, increased on moving jaw. Vascularity and tumefaction, the latter sometimes closing canal and causing temporary deafness. Swelling of cervical glands on affected side. In a day or two, a copious secretion of mucus,—often very thin and abundant. In chronic cases, persistent otorrhœa; the dermis remains more or less tumid; epithelium thrown off in scales which accumulate and obstruct canal; diminished power of hearing; great itching; and general depression.

A small circumscribed abscess in the meatus will cause acute throbbing pain; narrowing of aperture of canal; dulness of hearing. Often occurs when there is a tendency to boils or styes.

**TREATMENT.** The general health to be improved. Nourishing food, with plenty of milk, when digestion is good. Quinine. Iron. Chlorate of potash. Colchicum? Cod liver oil. Sea air.—*Locally:*—Fomentations and poultices; frequent bathing to remove the irritating discharge. If much pain and swelling, a couple of leeches to margin of meatus will relieve congestion. When inflammatory symptoms terminate in chronic irritation, the collection of epidermis must be removed by syringing with warm water; mild astringent injections generally useful; glycerine or olive oil. Sometimes the cure is hastened by application of small blisters over mastoid process.

**2. Inflammation of Membrana Tympani.**—*Synon. Myringitis.*—May be acute or chronic. The consequence of cold; of irritating matters; of gouty, tubercular, or syphilitic taint; of the extension of disease from walls of meatus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain, itching, slight deafness. A sense of discomfort on affected side of head. On examination with speculum, membrana seen to be opaque, and traversed by distended vessels. Ulceration may take place, and even lead to perforation. Another result to be feared is permanent relaxation of the membrane; which loses its natural degree of *resiliency*, becomes flaccid, and falls in towards the

promontory. A third consequence is thickening and hypertrophy of the fibrous laminae.

**TREATMENT.** When due to gouty, strumous, or syphilitic taint, the appropriate remedies for these conditions are needed. In other respects the treatment is the same as for inflammation of external meatus. When there is perforation, the artificial *membrana tympani*,—a thin circular plate of gutta percha with a silver wire handle; or a layer of moistened cotton wool with a thread attached to it.

**3. Inflammation of Tympanic Cavity.**—Synon. *Internal Otitis; Suppurative Catarrh of Tympanum.*—A severe disease. Rendered more serious by being usually combined with inflammation of the internal coat of the *membrana tympani*.

May arise from cold, rheumatism, or gout, scarlet fever, measles, and the strumous constitution. Not uncommon in youth: many cases of children's earache, causing miserable nights, really due to it.

**SYMPTOMS.** Uneasiness in ear on blowing nose or on swallowing: in a short time the discomfort becomes continuous. There may be violent headache; followed by intense and sharp and gradually increasing pain in ear, with loud or beating noises. Then, a sense of bursting or distension in ear; more or less deafness. Eyes become injected; countenance anxious; skin hot; pulse frequent; functions of kidneys and bowels disordered. Delirium often present; or, in children, convulsions. Always great depression; foreboding of some heavy calamity. Facial paralysis (caused by inflammation extending to bony canal in which *portio dura* passes round *tympanum*) may occur: power regained as morbid action subsides. Termination in one of three ways: either by resolution; by suppuration, the pent-up pus bursting through *membrana tympani*, and so discharging itself; or by inflammatory process spreading through mastoid cells internally, or by bony lamina to periosteum covering mastoid process externally.

In external otitis, perforation of *membrana tympani* may take place owing to extension of ulceration from without inwards. In present case, the reverse happens; morbid action progresses from within outwards. This latter the most frequent cause of formation of an orifice; fortunately the opening generally closes spontaneously in the course of a week or two.

**TREATMENT.** To be conducted with caution. Bowels should be moderately acted upon; action of skin promoted: patient kept in bed in a quiet room.

Salines, 348. Refrigerating drinks, 355, 356. Chlorate of potash, 360. Where there are manifestations of rheumatism or gout, iodide of potassium and colchicum, 31. Opium or morphia, 315, 317. Aconite, 330, 331.—*Locally*:—Vapour of boiling water. Fomentations with poppy heads, chamomile flowers. Linseed, onion, or garlic poultices. Small blisters to mastoid process. When abnormal aperture in *membrana tympani* fails to close, attempts to be made to induce cicatrization by occasional use of nitrate of silver. This fail-

ing, and opening being of such a size as to cause deafness, application of artificial membrane, after producing healthy state of lining tissues of tympanum by mild astringent lotions and gentle syringing.

**OTORRHŒA.**—From *Oûs*, ὠὶς, the ear; *ῥέω*, to flow. Synon. *Otitis*; *Blenorrhœa*; *Catarrh of the Ear*.—A purulent or muco-purulent discharge from the ear. A symptom of certain diseases of the ear; as of catarrhal inflammation, polypus, sebaceous tumour in meatus, granulations on the surface of the membrana tympani, &c. Occurs very frequently, without any appreciable cause, in young children about the time of dentition; or on the subsidence of any of the exanthemata, especially in strumous subjects. In adults it occasionally seems to be due to a depressed condition of system. The secretion is generally offensive and irritating; when it has existed for any length of time, it is often tinged with blood.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commonly the discharge ceases in a short period. Occasionally it becomes chronic, and when this happens it may continue for years. In purulent catarrh there may be in the course of time destruction of the membrana tympani and ossicula auditûs, and caries of the bony walls of the meatus and tympanum. The disease may even extend to the cells of the mastoid process of the temporal bone; or in the opposite direction to the surface of the petrous portion of the same bone, until the brain and its membranes become involved in the unhealthy action. This event indicated by rigors, fever, and marked cerebral symptoms: ultimately convulsions, coma, and death. Inflammation and abscess of the brain may be induced by extension of disease to the cerebral sinuses and veins as well as to the dura mater. Cases of phlebitis, with pleurisy and pneumonia, have also resulted from caries of the mastoid cells.

**TREATMENT.** Syringing gently with warm soap and water; then careful examination of meatus auditorius externus with ear speculum. If no cause (as polypus, &c.) be found, attention to general health. Nourishing diet,—animal food, milk, &c. Quinine and steel, 380. Steel and pepsine, 394. Phosphate of iron, 405. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Iodide of iron, 32, 382. Iodide of potassium and guaiacum or sarsaparilla, 31. Cod liver oil.—*Locally*:—Frequent syringing with warm water. Injections of alum, zinc, sulphate of cadmium, or tannin, of same strength as collyria, 291. Glycerine. Olive oil. Painting walls of canal with solution of nitrate of silver—gr. 6 to fl. oz. j. Equal parts of balsam of Peru and ox gall daily dropped into ear. Ointment of carbolic acid—gr. 10 to lard oz. 1. Solution of chlorinated soda—min. xxx to fl. oz. j.

**OTORRHAGIA.**—From *Oûs*, ὠὶς, the ear; *ῥήγνυμι*, to burst out.—Hæmorrhage from the ears arises from different causes:—(1) Fracture of base of skull, by which a communication is established between sinuses of dura mater and middle ear. The membrana tympani being ruptured, blood escapes externally. If both petrous bones be injured, hæmorrhage from both ears. Occurrence of bleeding, on one or both sides, generally regarded as of unfavourable import.—

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(2) *Wounds and ulcerations of auditory canal*; whether produced by ear-picks or other instruments, insects, foreign bodies voluntarily introduced, or old hardened ceruminous concretions. To be stopped by extraction of foreign body.—(3) *Granulations, polypi, and abscesses of auditory canal*. To be cured by removal of polypus, use of nitrate of silver to granulations, or incision into abscess.—(4) *Caries and necrosis of petrous portion of temporal bone, with destruction of membrana tympani*. If walls of carotid canal be involved, a spiculum of bone will possibly wound internal carotid artery, and cause fatal loss of blood. Ligature of common carotid may have to be resorted to.—(5) *Rupture of membrana tympani*; which may occur during ascent of high mountains, or in descent of low valleys, or in going to any great depth in a diving bell, or from concussion of cannon-firing, &c.; during violent sneezing or vomiting; or during paroxysms of hooping-cough or asthma. The air is violently forced through Eustachian tube into tympanum, the delicate membrane of which gives way where it is least capable of offering resistance—near insertion of handle of malleus. The bleeding to be checked by swabbing meatus with styptics. Subsequently, an artificial tympanum may be needed to relieve deafness.—And (6) *It may be a vicarious hemorrhage*—i.e., it may perhaps replace menstruation, or long-continued bleeding from piles or old ulcer.

**OVARIAN DISPLACEMENTS.**—One or both ovaries are occasionally forced out of position by some uterine or other tumour; or an ovary may descend into the retro-uterine pouch of peritoneum or escape from pelvis, forming a true hernia of this gland. Displacements of first class, usually aggravate the symptoms of the disease causing them: suffering often ceases, if tumour increase in size and pass upwards out of pelvic cavity. Those of second class may be congenital, or may happen accidentally after puberty. Occasionally, the ovary forms the contents of an inguinal, crural, or umbilical hernia.

**OVARIAN TUMOUR.**—From *Ovarium* (ὄδιον, a small egg, dimin. of ὄον), the ovary: *Tumor* (*Tumeo*, to be swollen), a tumour, Synon. *Ovarian Dropsy*; *Cystic Disease of Ovary*.—Consists of a conversion of the ovary, or of parts of it, into cysts. Three varieties of cysts:—Simple or unilocular; compound, multilocular, or proliferous; and dermoid cysts, the lining membrane of which has the power of producing hair, teeth, sebaceous matter, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Very slight in early stage: disease generally escapes detection until abdomen begins to be enlarged. In exceptional cases, tumour while in pelvic cavity causes irritation of rectum and bladder: sense of weight and oppression: pain and numbness down thigh of affected side. Backache. Menstruation usually regular, perhaps abundant.

In more advanced stage, great pain and tenderness: distension of abdomen. Disordered menstruation, perhaps suppression. Loss of *flesh*. Constipation. Indigestion. Frequent micturition: urine often scanty. Loss of appetite. Restless nights. Dyspnoea. Diminution

of strength. Abdomen found enlarged: fluctuation, varying in distinctness according to number of cysts, their distension, and capacity. Dulness on percussion, not varying greatly with position of patient. Tumour may cause ascites. Œdema of thighs and legs.—At length suffering rapidly augmented. Patient's movements impeded from bulk of tumour. Miserable nights: attacks of dyspnoea necessitate sitting up in chair. Considerable œdema. Sometimes, suppression of urine and uræmic poisoning. Fatal prostration.

**TREATMENT.** Formerly abdominal tapping, followed by well-adapted pressure, and administration of iodide of potassium, 31. Tapping with introduction of drainage tube, so as continually to withdraw fluid as it is re-secreted. Tapping, followed by prolonged administration of chlorate of potash in full doses. Tapping, with injection of iodine. Tapping, with application of ligature around pedicle. Tapping through vagina. Abdominal section,—ovariotomy has now superseded all other treatment.

Drugs to produce absorption of multilocular tumours, worse than useless. Application of blisters, leeches, iodine ointment, mercurial ointment, stimulating liniments, electricity, &c., to be avoided.

**OVARITIS.**—From *Ovarium* ('ὄδιον, a small egg, dimin. of ὄβον), the ovary; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Oöphoritis*; *Oöritis*; *Inflammatio Ovarii*.—Inflammation of the ovary occurs under two forms,—the acute, and subacute or chronic:—

**1. Acute Ovaritis.**—May arise from violence, use of strong caustics to labia uteri, dilatation of os with sponge-tents, sudden suppression of menses from shock, cold, gonorrhœa, &c. Left ovary more frequently attacked than right: double ovaritis rare.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain of variable amount: sometimes most intense, causing paroxysms like labour-pains; more frequently of a dull aching character, with occasional sharp lancinating attacks. Tenderness about lower part of abdomen: of groin and inner part of thigh corresponding to affected gland. If morbid action continue, peritoneum gets involved. Bladder becomes irritable: urine scanty, high-coloured, and scalding. Tenesmus. Passage of hardened fæces causes much suffering by pressure on ovary. Fever; rapid pulse; nausea; restlessness; disgust for food. On examination, the swollen and exquisitely sensitive ovary easily detected.—If suppuration occur, there will be rigors; quick and feeble pulse; glazed red tongue; excessive sickness; sense of weight and throbbing about pelvis. Abscess may burst into peritoneum, setting up severe peritonitis: more favourably into rectum or vagina. Such cases sometimes very tedious; opening closes, but pus accumulates again and again.

**TREATMENT.** Hot hip baths, night and morning. Pessaries of conia, opium, and belladonna, 423. Fomentations: hemlock poultices: linseed poultices,—to vulva, hypogastric, and inguinal regions. Saline aperients in early stage. Iodide of potassium, 31. Guaiacum and aconite, 43. Opium and belladonna, 344. Rectum to be emptied by enemata of olive oil, 188. Leeches to labia uteri, if attack be due to

sudden suppression of menses. If an abscess point in vagina, it may be cautiously opened with a trocar or bistoury.

**2. Chronic Ovaritis.**—A common disease during period of sexual vigour. Runs a tedious course. May be set up by excessive sexual intercourse; unskilful use of uterine sound, or caustics; rheumatic and syphilitic taints, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Dull and continuous aching in ovarian and sacral regions. Tenderness in inguinal region or of upper part of one or both thighs. Scanty and difficult menstruation. Pain on sexual intercourse. Irritability of stomach; nausea, indigestion, constipation, flatulence. Fits of hysteria. Irritability of bladder. Tumefaction and tenderness of one or both breasts.—Attacks of nymphomania, or even some forms of chronic insanity, may arise from subacute ovaritis. Inflamed gland found swollen and sensitive, on making a vaginal examination.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium, 31. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Guaiacum and aconite, 43. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Cod liver oil, 389. Pepsine, 420. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and belladonna, 383. Iodide of iron and cod liver oil, 390. Conia or iodide of lead and belladonna pessaries, 423. Belladonna plaster to sacrum. Counter irritation over ovary. Warm hip baths. Warm clothing: flannel drawers. Animal food: milk, raw eggs. Gentle walking exercise.

**Avoidance of:**—Lecches. Calomel. Antimony. Strong purgatives. Sexual intercourse.

**OZÆNA.**—From *ὄζη*, a stench. Synon. *Coryza Virulenta*; *Pyorrhœa Nasalis*; *Rhinitis Ulcerosa*.—Chronic inflammation of the nostrils. Due to long-continued attacks of catarrh, especially in gouty or strumous subjects; syphilitic taint; abscess of septum; chronic ulceration; disease of antrum or frontal sinus; polypi; necrosed bone; or foreign bodies in nasal cavities.

**SYMPTOMS.** Appearance, perhaps, of common cold, Uneasiness and "stuffiness" of nose. Swelling of pituitary membrane. Headache. Profuse, fetid, muco-purulent discharge; sometimes tinged with blood. Formation of flakes of fibrin or hardened mucus; which, if allowed to remain in nose, decompose and give out a most disgusting odour. Septum of nose often eaten through, leaving a small round hole. Caries or necrosis of spongy bones, especially in syphilitic cases.

**TREATMENT.** *General remedies:*—Quinine and iron, 380. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Arsenic and bark, &c., 52. Steel with arsenic, 381, 399. Cod liver oil. Chlorate of potash and steel, 402. Iodide of iron and cod liver oil, 390. When syphilitic the great remedy is iodide of potassium, 31. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54, 55. Green iodide of mercury, 53. Mercurial vapour baths, 131. Sea air. Nourishing food. Warm clothing.

*Locally:*—Nasal douche with weak solution of permanganate of potash, or carbolic acid, or tannic acid, or frequent and thorough

syringing with warm water. Injections of alum; or zinc; or permanganate of potash, 78; or sanitas. Inhalation of steam, or application of spray medicated with iodine, 259; or creasote, 260; or turpentine, 260. Iodine vapour, 259. Nitrate of mercury ointment, 305. Iodide of lead ointment, 293. Pulverized medicated fluids, 262. Snuffs of chlorate of potash and sugar (gr. 30 and oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ); or of red oxide of mercury and sugar (gr. 5 and oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ); or of white bismuth.

**PANCREATIC DISEASE.**—Disease of pancreas (from Πᾶς, all; κρέας, flesh) of comparatively rare occurrence. When affected, it is mostly impossible to diagnose exact nature of morbid state.

Diseases which may occur are:—Congestion, hypertrophy, inflammation, suppuration, induration, serous softening. Atrophy; fatty degeneration. Simple cystic tumours; hydatid tumours. Scirrhus or medullary cancer. Calculous concretions, composed of carbonate and phosphate of lime cemented by animal matter, are not uncommonly found in pancreatic duct or its branches; of a white colour, varying from size of a pea to that of a walnut, and existing singly or to the number of fifteen or twenty.

**SYMPTOMS.** Most pancreatic disorders attended by enlargement and tenderness of gland. Epigastric tenderness; fulness or hardness; sense of heat and constriction. Nausea and vomiting; salivation; loss of appetite; inodorous eructations. Fatty stools. Mental depression. Debility, with emaciation. If common choledic duct be pressed upon by pancreatic tumour, or if it be involved in structural disease of gland, there will be persistent jaundice.

**TREATMENT.** Alleviation of prominent symptoms. Pancreatine. Pancreatic emulsion. In obstinate sickness,—nutrient enemata. Ice. Seton in abdominal wall over seat of gland. Repeated small blisters.

**PARALYSIS.**—From Παράλυσις, to relax—to affect with paralysis. Synon. *Paresis*; *Palsy*.—A total or partial loss of sensibility or motion, or of both, in one or more parts of body. Sometimes said to be;—(1) *Perfect* when both motion and sensibility are effected. (2) *Imperfect*, when only one or the other is lost or diminished. Divided into *acinesia* ('A, priv.; κίνησις, motion), paralysis of motion; and *anæsthesia* ('A, priv.; αἰσθάνομαι, to feel), paralysis of sensibility. Term *local palsy* used, when only a small portion of body is affected; as face, a limb, one foot. In *reflex* paralysis (*Reflecto*, to turn back) the irritation extends from periphery to centre, and thence reflected to affected muscles; diseases of urinary organs, uterus, and intestines most common causes of this form. A peculiar disease known as *wasting palsy*, prominent symptom of which is a degeneration and wasting of the muscles.

Palsy may be due to disease of brain arising from apoplexy, embolism, or thrombosis, abscess, softening, induration, tubercular, cancerous, or syphilitic tumours, renal disease, epilepsy, chorea; to disease of spinal cord, as inflammation, atrophy, solution of con-

tinuity, &c.; to diseases of investing parts of brain or cord, acting by pressure; to lesion or compression of a nerve by which its conducting power is impaired; to some affection of the muscle itself; to hysteria, or to rheumatism; and to influence of such poisons as lead, mercury, &c.

**1. General Paralysis.**—Complete loss of sensation and motion of whole system cannot take place without immediate death. Term "general paralysis" usually applied to a peculiar form of insanity: see *Insanity*. Sometimes to palsy affecting the four extremities.

A case has been related in which power of motion in every part of body was lost, save in muscular apparatus of tongue, and of organs of deglutition and respiration. Sensibility also wholly destroyed except in a small patch on right cheek, by tracing letters on which the patient could be communicated with.

**2. Hemiplegia.**—From *ἡμιος*, half; *πλήσσω*, to strike. Synon. *Hemiplegia*.—Paralysis of one side, involving upper and lower extremity, and same side of face and tongue. Most common form of palsy. Usually spoken of as "a paralytic stroke." Left more frequently affected than right side. Arm generally more completely paralysed than leg. Occasionally limbs of one side and opposite third nerve or opposite side of face, or of tongue affected: forms of transverse or crossed palsy.

**CAUSES.** 1. Hæmorrhage mostly from small arteries to corpus striatum or thalamus, sometimes from other vessels, or from aneurism. 2. Embolism of cerebral arteries by fibrinous plug from heart, or aorta, or pulmonary vein. 3. Thrombosis of arteries and veins. 4. Tumour, abscess, syphilitic gumma obstructing vessels, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** May come on suddenly with apoplectic seizure, or without loss of consciousness, or with convulsion (rare), or gradually, with or without headache and vomiting. Face only partially paralysed. Muscles of eyelid and of brow very little affected; palsied cheek drops loosely, while mouth is drawn towards sound side by non-counteraction of paralysed muscles (but much less than in facial paralysis of Bell, due to lesion of portio dura, in which also the eye is staring open). Tongue implicated; when protruded, point turned to paralysed side, owing to vigorous action of healthy muscles pushing sound half further out than the other. Articulation imperfect. Third nerve not involved in the common form of hemiplegia, no squinting, but temporary lateral deviation of both eyes, and persistent turning of head towards the sound side frequent in severe cases—conjugate deviation of head and eyes. Arm more completely paralysed than leg, as a rule, and recovers more slowly. Paralysed limbs usually flaccid at first, sometimes rigid. Thoracic and abdominal muscles not obviously affected. Sensation may be perfect or impaired, or almost lost. Mental faculties frequently damaged. Tendency to shed tears. Forgetfulness and misplacement of words. In hopeless cases, limbs waste: muscles become rigid and are atrophied, owing to *descending sclerosis* in cord and diminution of nutrition. In favour-



able instances, symptoms of amendment first observed in leg. Where the arm regains power before the leg, prognosis unfavourable (Trousseau).

**TREATMENT.** Indiscriminate depletion injurious. Cathartics sometimes useful at first:—Scammony and jalap; calomel; croton oil; stimulating purgative enemata. Efficacy doubtful of blisters to scalp or nucha, or of setons.

When collateral symptoms point to embolism, or thrombosis, or softening from defective nutrition, wine and nourishment to be given; cod liver oil; ammonia and bark; ammonio-citrate of iron; hypophosphite of soda or lime.—When the hemiplegia caused by cerebral hæmorrhage there may be symptoms of inflammation round the clot. In such, mild purgatives; blisters; sulphur baths. When the cause is syphilis, iodide of potassium.—In reflex hemiplegia, removal of the cause.

*In chronic forms:*—Small doses of strychnia, where there is no active disease of brain. Mild ferruginous tonics: phosphate of iron; ammonio-citrate of iron. Cod liver oil. Animal food: milk. Frictions of limbs and spine with flesh-brush; liniments of turpentine, cantharides, ammonia, &c. Electricity and galvanism, when paralysis remains without muscular rigidity.

**3. Paraplegia.**—From *Παραπληξία*, partial paralysis,—*παράπλησσω*, to strike badly. Synon. *Rachioplegia*; *Myeloparalysis*; *Paralysis Spinalis*.—Palsy of the lower half of body. Two varieties: (1) That due to disease of spinal cord or membranes, often secondary to disease of the vertebræ. Spinal meningitis, myelitis, congestion, softening, hæmorrhage, tumour, syphilitic disease, &c. (2) Reflex paraplegia, that caused by excitation which has reached the cord from a sensitive nerve. There is probably an insufficient amount of blood in cord. Hysterical paraplegia which is not uncommon may perhaps be included under this head.

**SYMPTOMS.** Usually begin slowly and insidiously. Weakness and numbness and tingling of feet and legs. Weakness increases, until there is complete loss of motion, and sometimes of sensibility also, in lower extremities. Paralysis of bladder and sphincter ani. Decomposition of urine in bladder. Involuntary movements and spasms of legs often very distressing. Reflex movements excited more easily in paraplegia than hemiplegia. Marked deterioration of general health.

*Special Symptoms.*—In spinal meningitis, severe pains in limbs and back, especially on movement, sometimes simulating rheumatism; reflex movements sometimes exaggerated; paralysis of sphincters late.

In myelitis, dull pain. Sensation of cord round body; paraplegia more pronounced and sensibility often lost; reflex action in parts below segment attacked, often exaggerated; sphincters early affected.

In congestion symptoms less definite; often worse after night's rest, from increase of congestion by recumbent posture. *Acute ascending paraplegia*, a rapidly fatal congestion sometimes seen, characterized

by paralysis, advancing from below upwards till respiratory muscles involved.

In spinal hæmorrhage, sudden paraplegia with pain.

Syphilitic disease of cord a common cause of paraplegia, to be recognised chiefly by concomitant symptoms and history.

In malignant disease, which usually begins in the vertebræ or membranes, the paraplegia is preceded and accompanied by severe pain radiating along the nerves given off from the affected part and by trophic changes. (Painful paraplegia).

Inflammation of the dura mater, most frequent in the cervical region (cervical pachymeningitis) is also attended by pain which precedes the paralysis.

In alcoholic paraplegia—most common in women—no pain; limbs remarkably soft and flaccid.

**TREATMENT.** An important distinction to be drawn between cases where there is congestion or inflammation of spinal cord or membranes, and the opposite condition.

(1) Where amount of blood is increased, as in chronic local myelitis, there are symptoms of irritation of motor nerve-nuclei,—as convulsions, cramps, twitchings, priapism; with indications of irritation of sensitive nerve-nuclei,—as itching, pricking pains, abnormal sensations of cold or heat, &c.; and also symptoms of irritation of vaso-motor or nutritive nerve-fibres,—as wasting of muscles, bed sores, alkaline urine, &c. Pain corresponding to upper limit of inflammation. Tenderness on pressure. Application of a hot sponge causes sense of heat in all parts above inflammation, with burning sensation at upper limit. Application of a piece of ice over vertebræ gives rise to sense of cold everywhere except at level of inflammation, where feeling of heat is experienced. In treating these cases, quantity of blood sent to cord is to be diminished. Ergot of rye, in five or six grain doses, twice daily. Belladonna. Belladonna plaster over spine. Iodide of potassium, in conjunction with belladonna. To which list may be added mercury, and locally the actual cautery. Cod liver oil. Henbane, conium, or Indian hemp to relieve restlessness. Avoidance of opium, as it causes congestion of cord. Nutritious diet: wine or beer, milk. Nutrition of limbs to be maintained by shampooing, stimulating liniments: at a subsequent period by very gentle galvanic current. (Brown-Séquard.)

(2) In paraplegia due to diminished nutrition of cord, as that caused by white softening and reflex palsy, food and remedies needed to improve quality of blood, and cause an increased quantity to be sent to cord. Strychnia, gr.  $\frac{1}{10}$  daily. Opium. Quinine and iron. Nitrate of silver and hypophosphite of soda, 419, deserving of trial. Cod liver oil. Sulphur baths. Very nourishing food. Patient to lie on his back, with head and shoulders and lower extremities raised, so that blood may gravitate to cord. (Brown-Séquard.)

In syphilitic paraplegia, iodide of potassium in large doses, and in some cases mercury.

A controlling power can be exercised by means of heat and cold applied to different parts of back, over the circulation in brain and

spinal cord and ganglia of sympathetic, and through agency of these nervous centres in every other organ. In this way, reflex excitability, or excito-motor power of cord, and contractile force of arteries in all parts of body can be modified. To lessen the excito-motor power, ice is applied in an india rubber bag about two inches wide, over that part of spine on which it is wished to act. On same principle, vitality of cord increased by using hot water and ice alternately, each in an india rubber bag if energetic action be required: where less vigorous efforts are called for, ice or iced water only employed, resorting to application several times a day, for a short time on each occasion, with long intervals between. (John Chapman.)

In reflex paralysis, while relieving loss of power on preceding principles, the external cause must be removed. Thus, the practitioner should expel intestinal worms; lance gums; relieve irritability of urinary and sexual systems; cure skin diseases, &c.

**Hemi-paraplegia.**—Due to a lesion affecting one lateral half of the cord only; may be due to injury or tumour, rarely to inflammation or hæmorrhage. The characteristic feature of it is that motor power is lost below the segment of the cord affected on the same side as the lesion, sensation on the other side.

**4. Local Paralysis.**—Many varieties of local palsy. Only necessary to mention one,—*Facial paralysis of Bell*. Results from pressure on, or lesion of *portio dura* of seventh nerve, which may be at the nucleus or root of the nerve, or in its intra-cranial or petrosal portion, or after its exit from the stylo-mastoid foramen, or at the peripheral extremity. Exposure to cold, and debility, most frequent causes of facial palsy. May also be due to irritation of decayed teeth. Otitis leading to caries of petrous portion of temporal bone may produce it, especially in children, or it may be caused by tumour or other disease in or near the pons. It will last from a few days to several weeks. Usually free from danger.

**SYMPTOMS.** Appearance remarkable, distortion of features on talking or laughing extreme. Features on affected side blank, unmeaning, void of all expression. Orbicularis palpebrarum muscle powerless, so that eye staring open and not closed, either by effort or in reflex winking. Inability to frown or blow; nostril does not dilate; cheek hangs loose; angle of mouth droops; food lodges between cheek and gums. Fifth pair of nerves unaffected; so that muscles of mastication act properly. No loss of sensibility.—In facial hemiplegia due to cerebral hæmorrhage, embolism, &c., the symptoms are less marked, and an important diagnostic distinction is that the orbicularis oculi is not affected, so that the eye opens and closes naturally.

Paralysis of *portio dura* on both sides, a rare affection. When it occurs there is no distortion of features owing to symmetrical nature of disease. On close examination, however, nostrils are found motionless; cheeks flat and relaxed; inability to close eyes completely; defective articulation with regard to sounds formed by lips, but unimpaired lingual articulation.

**Other Common Local Paralysis.**—Paralysis of ocular muscles.

Of muscles supplied by 3rd nerve.—Ptosis; immobility of eyeball, outward squint, dilatation of pupil, double vision. Of external rectus supplied by 6th nerve—inward squint. Of superior oblique supplied by 4th nerve—double vision and giddiness without obvious squint, the two images obliquely placed and receding as patient looks down.

Paralysis of 5th, loss of sensation over side of face and head; paralysis of masseter and pterygoids.

These common in syphilitic disease at base of brain.

Paralysis of supinators and extensors of forearm and hand, sometimes by pressure on musculo-spiral nerve, as by falling asleep with arm over back of chair.

TREATMENT. Remove cause if it can be ascertained. Mild antacid aperients. Iodide of potassium. Bromide of potassium. Nourishing food. Warm bathing. Friction with shampooing. Galvanism.

**5. Locomotor Ataxy.**—From 'A, neg.; *ταδσω*, to order. Synon. *Progressive Locomotor Ataxy; Tabes Dorsalis; Sclerosis of posterior columns of Spinal Cord.*—A peculiar form of imperfect paraplegia sometimes attributed to sexual excesses, exposure to cold and damp, rheumatism, gout, &c., but in a large proportion of cases a remote effect of syphilis. Most common in males about middle period of life. In well-marked cases it has been shown that atrophy of nerve-fibres of posterior columns of spinal cord has taken place, with formation of amyloid corpuscles and hypertrophy of connective tissue. These changes included under term sclerosis. Lesion not always confined to posterior columns of cord. Often also a certain grey degeneration of cerebral nerves, of spinal nerves, and various lesions of grey substance and cord. (Lockhart Clarke.)

SYMPTOMS. The pathognomonic symptoms are lightning pains, loss of knee reflex, insensibility of pupils to light, together with the characteristic diminution or total absence of power of co-ordinating movements, so that patient has difficulty in walking, loses his balance, and has a peculiar gait. Can move limbs and has considerable power in them when lying down. Distinct from ordinary paraplegia, in which there is impairment or loss of voluntary motion.

*Early Symptoms.*—Severe stabbing or darting pains in legs—"lightning pains," coming in paroxysms, also "boring pains." Squinting; double vision, impairment of sight; pupils usually small, immobile when light varied, but contracting for near vision. Occasionally partial paralysis of other cranial nerves besides ocular.

Mode of walking peculiar, feet lifted up and thrown out in an irregular and extravagant manner, and brought down violently; turning round is difficult. Patient has to watch his legs in order to guide their motions; cannot stand when eyes shut, or in the dark, still less walk; does not know where lower limbs are; when upper extremities affected, cannot put finger on tip of nose; patellar tendon reflex, or knee-phenomenon on lost.

*Intellect and memory unaffected.* Rarely deafness. A sensation

as of strings tied round abdomen now and then complained of. No tenderness on examination of spine. "Pins and needles," with numbness in lower extremities; in some cases violent cramps or neuralgic pains; in others severe paroxysms of vomiting and abdominal pain ("*crises gastriques*," of Charcot). Ultimately loss of sensation in lower limbs; sometimes complete amaurosis from atrophy of optic nerve; increasing weakness, so that patient cannot leave his bed. Occasionally effusion into joints, which may even produce dislocation, this most frequent when gastric crises occur. Progress of disease slow: recovery very rare. Occasionally death occurs from intercurrent affections, as bronchitis, pneumonia, erysipelas, &c.

**TREATMENT.** A nourishing diet: animal food; raw eggs; rum and milk; milk cocoa in place of tea and coffee. Nitrate of silver, 59. Phosphate of iron, 405. Iodide of iron, 32, 390. Quinine and iron, 380. Bark and phosphoric acid, 376. Aloes and pepsine, 155. Aloes and reduced iron, 404. Phosphorus. Hypophosphite or soda or lime, 419. Belladonna. Calabar bean. Indian hemp. Cod liver oil. Sulphur baths, 125. Continuous galvanic current to lower part of spine. Mineral waters, in early stage, of Barèges, 470; of Marienbad, 497; of Wiesbaden, 489.

*Remedies often recommended:*—Iodide of potassium. Ergot of rye. Arsenic. Bromide of potassium. Nux vomica and strychnia. Opium. Turpentine. Galvanism. Faradization. Actual cautery, moxa, blisters, and leeches to spine.

**Bulbar Paralysis.** *Lubio-glosso-laryngeal paralysis* due to disease—usually—sclerosis in pons and medulla. The access is generally gradual, but sometimes sudden. When established there is complete paralysis of the lips, tongue, and larynx, causing absolute loss not only of speech but of voice, dribbling of saliva, and difficulty of deglutition. Sometimes there is much pain, and partial paralysis of the limbs may come on.

**Sclerosis of Lateral Columns of Cord.**—Synon. *Spastic Paraplegia*. Excessive formation of connective tissue with wasting and disintegration of nerve fibres of lateral columns, invading also anterior cornua of grey matter; may be primary and bilateral or secondary, "descending," from a lesion in the motor region of the brain or in the cord.

**SYMPTOMS.** Gradual paralysis with rigidity of muscles and contraction of limbs. Exaggerated reflexes. Ankle clonus. No loss of sensation. Sphincters not affected till late.

**TREATMENT.** As of locomotor ataxy.

**Disseminated Sclerosis.** (*Sclérose en plaques disséminées*).—Patches of sclerosis in different parts of brain and cord.

**SYMPTOMS.** Gradual loss of power with tremor and agitation of muscles whenever they are called into action. Lips and tongue tremulous on speaking. Head shakes so that chin kept on breast to avoid effort of supporting head which brings on tremor. Limbs quiet

till moved; then agitated; patient cannot carry glass of water to mouth, shaking increases as the movement approaches completion. To be distinguished from Chorea and Paralysis Agitans.

**6. Infantile Paralysis.**—*Acute Anterior Polio-Myelitis.*—Occurs at or before the second teething, frequently in strong and healthy children. Access rapid; usually ushered in by pyrexia, and during, or after this, the paralysis observed. One or both lower extremities or the arm and leg may be affected. The affected parts are powerless, flaccid, and cold; there may be hyperæsthesia at first, afterwards sensation not impaired. The paralysed muscles rapidly lose their sensibility to Faradic electricity, but retain sensibility to galvanism much longer. As a rule some muscles recover while others do not, and thus deformity produced.

**TREATMENT.** At time of attack incise gums if necessary. Warm bath. Stimulating liniment to spine. Friction of limbs. Mild aperients. Later, the paralysed parts to be kept warm and to be rubbed daily. Galvanism to be employed early, and when susceptibility to Faradic electricity restored, the induced currents. The general health to be maintained.

**7. Hysterical and Rheumatic Paralysis.**—In *hysterical* palsy there is neither disease of nervous centres nor of motor nerves. Occurs in hysterical women: produced by fright, over-excitement, ovarian irritation, &c. Lower extremities may be affected (*hysterical paraplegia*); or arm and leg on same side (*hysterical hemiplegia*); or only one or two particular muscles. Muscles may be flaccid, more commonly contracted and rigid; feet often bent inwards. Generally, other symptoms of hysteria present. May be cured by remedies which improve general health. Ferruginous tonics. Anti-spasmodics. Galvanism.

In *rheumatic* palsy muscles of lower extremities often attacked: or extensor muscles of fore-arm, or deltoid and trapezius, rendering it difficult to raise arm. May come on suddenly or gradually. To be cured by galvanism, shampooing, iodide of potassium, cod liver oil.

**8. Progressive Muscular Atrophy.**—From 'A, priv.; *τρέφω*, to nourish. Synon. *Chronic Anterior Polio-Myelitis*; *Wasting Palsy*; *Creeping Palsy*; *Idiopathic Degeneration of Voluntary Muscles*; *Atrophie Musculaire avec Transformation Graisseuse.*—Paralysis with granular and fatty degeneration and extreme wasting of muscular fibre, owing to some error of nutrition. Patches of granular degeneration found in those parts of anterior grey cornua of spinal cord whence nerves pass off to affected muscles. Also amyloid corpuscles round central canal of cord. Nerve-cells shrunken and atrophied. It has been questioned whether spinal cord lesion is primary or secondary. The former rendered more probable than was formerly believed, by researches of Lockhart Clarke.

**SYMPTOMS.** The pathognomonic feature is a degeneration, and consequent loss of volume and power, of voluntary muscles; without *diminution of intelligence or sensibility*. Fibrillar twitchings seen in affected muscles, which retain faradic irritability so long as any

fibres remain. May affect upper or lower limbs, or voluntary muscles of whole body; usually symmetrical.

Scapular muscles, deltoid, muscles of thenar eminence often affected early. The muscles attacked waste away, and almost entirely disappear, leaving bony prominences bare. With the wasting comes weakness.

Fibrillary tremors or convulsive quiverings of some of the fasciculi which form the muscle produced by irritation of skin; patient unconscious of their occurrence. Occasionally, neuralgic or rheumatic pains. Great sensitiveness to cold. Intellectual powers undisturbed. General health moderately good.—As disease progresses, total deprivation of motion in affected limbs, of which only skin and bone left. Patient often has to be fed and carried about like a child. Power of deglutition and articulation may be lost. Fatal asphyxia a common termination,—for, as a consequence of catarrh, bronchitis, &c., mucus accumulates in air-tubes: owing to diaphragm and intercostal muscles being involved, no efforts at expectoration can be made. Occasionally, apnoea from paralysis of respiratory muscles.

Duration of disease varies from a few months to some years. Complete recovery rare: progress of disease sometimes suspended, especially when muscles of trunk are not involved. General muscular atrophy spares neither children, adults, nor aged people: partial form most common between thirtieth and fiftieth year. Males suffer more than females. Exposure to wet and cold, or hard work, often assigned as causes. May follow fever, sunstroke, falls and blows, &c. It is hereditary.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to digestive organs. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, 419. Nitrate of silver, 59. Friction of affected muscles. Sulphur baths, 125. Galvanism to wasting muscles. Localized Faradization; not giving more than one or two minutes to each muscle, lest it get fatigued, and not prolonging each sitting for more than ten or fifteen minutes.

*Remedies which have generally failed:*—Strychnia and nuxvomica. Mercury. Iodide of potassium. Tonics. Cod liver oil. Setons, issues, or blisters over vertebral column. Cold baths during active stage.

**9. Pseud-hypertrophic Paralysis.**—A disease of early childhood mostly affecting males. Markedly hereditary. The child weak on his legs, constantly falling, and getting up with difficulty; walk slow, clumsy, and waddling. Great arching of loins. Characteristic feature is great size of calves of legs, and of buttocks, but when muscles examined under microscope the increase of bulk found to be due to connective tissue, the muscular fibres being wasted. No treatment effectual. Death usually occurs before the age of eighteen from pulmonary affection.

**10. Mercurial Palsy.**—Synon. *Mercurial Tremor.*—A convulsive agitation of voluntary muscles, increased when volition is brought to bear upon them. In advanced stages, articulation and mastication and locomotion performed with difficulty. Sometimes delirium, or

even acute mania. Use of hands almost entirely lost. **Epilepsy.** Great weakness. Restlessness at nights. Skin acquires a dirty brown hue. Soreness of gums. Teeth turn black, decay.—The sufferers are workmen exposed to fumes of mercury,—gilders of buttons, glass-platers, barometer makers, &c. Chemists working with mercuric methide ought to take special precautions to avoid the deadly influence of this very poisonous compound.

**TREATMENT.** Withdrawal entirely from injurious atmosphere. Iodide of potassium, 31. Nourishing food. Cod liver oil. Warm baths. Sulphur baths, 125. Galvanism. Sea air.

**11. Lead Palsy.**—Synon. *Paralysis Saturnina; Drop Wrist; Metallic Palsy; Painter's Palsy.*—Often follows or accompanies lead colic, though it may exist independently. Operatives in lead-works and mines suffer much from saturnine emanations. Work-rooms where manufacture of white lead is completed have their atmosphere loaded with minute particles of lead compounds; so that workers in them get "leaded,"—become victims of paralysis, colic, gout, sleeplessness, neuralgia, spasms of respiratory muscles, debility and pallor and emaciation, &c. Plumbers, painters, colour-grinders, type-founders, &c., also suffer much.

**SYMPTOMS.** Poison of lead exerts a peculiar noxious influence over nerves of fore-arm and hand; in consequence of which, extensor muscles of hands and fingers get paralysed, and hands hang down by their own weight when arms are stretched out,—the *wrists drop*. Inferior extremities rarely affected. Frequent attacks of lead colic. Saturnine taste and odour in breath. Formation of a blue or purplish line round edges of gums, just where they join the teeth, a characteristic feature.—Death may occur when system has long been exposed to influence of lead; especially if health be also injured by intemperance, or by frequent attacks of gout.

**TREATMENT.** *Curative:* Iodide of potassium, 31. Galvanism. Frictions. Sulphur baths, 125. Support of hand by splint.—*Prophylactic:*—All workers in lead should drink sulphuric acid lemonade daily. To avoid intoxicating drinks. Functions of skin to be promoted by cleanliness.

**12. Paralysis Agitans.**—Synon. *Paralysis Tremula; Tremor; Shaking Palsy.*—Characterised by an involuntary tremulous agitation of muscles which is independent of exertion, and goes on during repose of muscles, commencing in hands and arms, and gradually extending over whole body. Finger and thumb generally in contact as if holding a pen, or as if taking pinch of snuff, or rolling a pill. Associated with great restlessness and sense of heat. Face gets remarkable fixed expression of melancholy. Diminished muscular power, or limbs in state of spasm. Senses and intellect uninjured. Disease progresses slowly. When far advanced, agitation may be so violent as to prevent sleep. Deglutition and mastication performed with difficulty. A propensity to bend the trunk forwards, and to pass from a walking to a gentle running pace. Inclination of body forwards,



with bending of chin on sternum. Involuntary escape of feces and urine. Slight delirium and fatal coma.

**TREATMENT.** Few remedies of much use. The effects may be tried of pure air, nourishing food, baths, ferruginous tonics, cod liver oil, and occasional opiates. Benefit may sometimes be obtained from employment of continuous galvanic current, or perhaps from a Pulvermacher's chain-battery of 120 links.

**PARAPHIMOSIS.**—From Παρά, beyond; φάω, to bind tight. Synon. *Phimosis Circumligata*.—That condition in which a tight prepuce having been drawn back over the glans penis, the latter becomes constricted and swollen, so that the prepuce cannot be replaced.

**SYMPTOMS.** Great swelling of areolar tissue behind constriction. Mucous membrane of withdrawn prepuce forms a thick and brawny girdle. Congestion of glans penis. Pain, inflammation, if neglected, ulceration, anxiety, &c.

**TREATMENT.** *Reduction*.—Parts to be well oiled; glans to be compressed and gently pushed backwards with right hand, while the prepuce is drawn steadily forwards with the left. Compression of glans sometimes effected by encircling it with a narrow strip of adhesive plaster; or by a loop of tape; or by spoon-bladed forceps. Application of ice, or stream of cold water, before trying reduction, sometimes useful. All failing, a notch or free division of tight preputial collar with probe-pointed bistoury.

*Permanent Cure*.—To prevent a recurrence, circumcision may be advantageously practised.—See *Phimosis*.

**PARAPLEGIA.**—From Παραπληξα, partial paralysis; παρὰ-πλῆσσω, to strike badly. Synon. *Rachio paralysis*; *Myeloparalysis*; *Paralysis Spinalis*.—Paralysis confined to inferior half of body.—See *Paralysis*.

**PARASITIC ANIMALS AND PLANTS.**—From Παρασιτέω, to flatter another and live at his expense.—See *Entozoa*; *Epizoa*; *Epi-phytes*.

**PAROTITIS.**—From Παρά, near; οὖς, the ear; terminal -itis. Synon. *Cynanche Parotideæ*; *Mumps*.—See *Mumps*.

**PELLAGRA.**—From Pellis, skin; αἰγρεο, to be sick,—unhealthy skin. Synon. *Mania Pellagria*; *Mal de Sole*; *Elephantiasis Italica*; *Scurvy of the Alps*.—Common in Lombardo-Venetian country. A severe constitutional or blood disease attended with an altered state of skin. The eruption merely symptomatic of the vitiated state of system.—Cause not clearly made out. Mostly ascribed to peasants living chiefly on maize,—nine-tenths of their food consisting of this substance made into polenta with coarse bread, &c., but may occur when this grain is not eaten. Probably disease due to insufficient nourishment, and the use of dry farinaceous food without sufficient fatty matter.

Usually ends in mania, imbecility, and slow death. Softening of periphery of brain has been often met with in autopsies: softening of part of spinal cord almost always.

**SYMPTOMS.** Disease begins insidiously at commencement of warm spring weather, with a shining red spot, followed by tubercles, on back of hand or some part of body. At end of summer, eruption generally disappears; suspended till following spring, when it reappears. This first stage may go on thus for seven or eight years.—The second stage is characterised by the disease setting in with greater constitutional disturbance, general debility, disturbance of nervous system (despondency, cramp, spasm, convulsions): patient then becomes a prey to melancholy of a religious character with suicidal tendency. At end of autumn there is a remission, but less marked than before. Year by year, symptoms aggravated. Skin all over body gets dry, rough, and shrivelled: great debility: diarrhoea: breath and sweat most offensive: great flow of saliva. Pain in head, vertigo, delirium; dyspnoea; cramps; bilious vomiting; low fever; dropsy; epilepsy; and surviving these, mania or fatuity. Disease may not prove fatal for 5, 10, or even 15 years. Its popular name—*malattia di miseria*—sufficiently justified.

**TREATMENT.** *In early stage:*—Removal to healthy locality. Good nourishing food, with milk, fatty matters, &c.—*When fairly established:*—All treatment useless beyond attempts at relieving the most prominent symptoms.

**PELVIC CELLULITIS.**—From *Pelvis* (Πελλίς or Πέλλα) a bowl: *Cellula* (dimin. of *cella*), a little cell; terminal *-itis*.—Inflammation of the cellular or areolar tissue of pelvis.—Occurs mostly in connection with abortion, or lingering labour at full term. Also as a consequence of external violence, over-exertion, arrest of catamenia, uterine disease, or some strumous state of constitution.

**SYMPTOMS.** May come on insidiously. More commonly,—constitutional disturbance, fever, headache, restlessness. Local pain and throbbing and tenderness. Aching pains in limbs. Difficult micturition. Tenesmus. Nausea and vomiting. Painful swelling, sometimes appreciable at lower part of abdomen; always detected by vaginal examination.

If morbid action go on to suppuration,—Increased severity of general symptoms. Rigors. Severe throbbing and tenderness. Neuralgic pains down thighs. Fluctuation. Pus may be discharged into upper part of vagina, or bladder, or colon, or rectum: rarely into peritoneum, causing severe peritonitis; or it will burrow and make its escape externally. Troublesome sinuses sometimes produced. Pus formed again and again for months.

**TREATMENT.** Castor oil, 164. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Citrate of ammonia or potash, 362. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Opiate enemata, 339. Opium and belladonna suppositories, 340. Mercurial and belladonna pessaries, 423. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and iron or mineral acids, 379. Hot hip baths. Fomentations. Linseed poultices. Hot water vaginal in.

jections. Milk, raw eggs, beef tea, arrowroot, tea: animal food as soon as it can be digested. Wenham Lake ice. Sinapisms to epigastrium, if there be sickness. Abscess may sometimes be opened with advantage.

**PELVIC HÆMATOCELE.**—From *Pelvis*, a basin; *Αἷμα*, blood; *κῆλη*, a swelling. Synon. *Sanguineous Pelvic Tumour*; *Ovarian Apoplexy*; *Retro-uterine Hæmatocele*; *Peri-uterine Hæmatocele*.—An effusion of blood into peritoneal pouch between uterus and rectum, or into subperitoneal tissue behind and around the uterus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Vary according to amount of loss. If excessive,—Nervous shock. Exhaustion from internal hæmorrhage. Acute pain in lower part of abdomen. Chilliness or shivering: coldness of extremities. Vomiting. Increasing feebleness of circulation. Ghastly expression of countenance. Death may occur in a few hours.

Where loss is great but not excessive,—Violent abdominal pain. Sickness. Chilliness followed by fever. Anxiety of countenance: pinching and pallor of face. Difficult micturition, with frequent desire to empty bladder. Irritability of rectum. Perhaps sudden cessation of catamenia if flow be on at the time. Pelvic tumour: appreciable through abdominal and vaginal walls.

In a third class of cases, symptoms of same character but less acute than foregoing. Pelvic tumour: only appreciable by vaginal examination. Fear of peritonitis: of hæmorrhage returning after an interval. Absorption may be hoped for.

In all cases uterus fixed by coagulation of blood around it. Usually displaced forwards, and tumour felt bulging posterior wall of vagina.

**TREATMENT.** *In acute cases:*—Brandy. Wine. Opium in large doses. Sinapisms to extremities. Bladders of ice to lower part of abdomen and vulva.

*Where loss is moderate:*—Perfect repose in recumbent posture. Opium in sufficient doses to relieve pain and prevent faintness. Ergot by mouth or hypodermically. Gallic and aromatic sulphuric acids, 103. Alum and sulphuric acid, 115. Ice. Sinapisms to epigastrium. Cold applications to vulva. Catheterism. Puncture of prominent part of tumour by rectum with trocar? Rest and care at two or three succeeding catamenial periods.

**PEMPHIGUS.**—From *Πέμφιξ*, a bubble or blister. Synon. *Febris Bullosa*; *Bladdery Fever*; *Waterblebs*.—A non-contagious skin disease. Characterised by large round or oval vesicles, or bullæ (*Bulla*, a bubble of water), two or three inches in diameter, which appear on one or more regions. Each bulb filled with alkaline serum; which soon loses its transparency, becoming acid and puriform. Slight fever, &c. Very liable to relapse.

*Pompholyx* (*Πομφόλις*, a blister) is merely a variety of pemphigus.

**TREATMENT.** Aisenic usually most effectual. Phosphorus. Ammonia and bark, 371. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil. Effervescing citrate of magnesia, 163. Arsenic,

quinine, and steel, 381. Chlorate of potash. Iodide of potassium. Vesicle to be punctured: cuticle not to be removed.

**PENIS CANCER.**—Malignant disease of the male organ is generally of the epithelial kind. Commences as a warty or cauliflower-looking growth on inner surface of prepuce: followed by unhealthy and very destructive ulceration. Lymphatics on dorsum of penis, and the glands in the groin, gradually get involved. Sanious discharges. Retention of urine. Cancerous cachexia. Painful death.—Most common cause, irritation by soot in chimney sweeps, but the disease may result from irritation of retained secretions of corona glandis in phimosis, where there is predisposition to cancer.—Early and complete amputation offers the only hope of cure.

**PERFORATION OF STOMACH.**—May occur from simple or malignant ulceration, and may give rise to escape of contents into peritoneum, or when preceded by adhesions to abscess or fistulous communications with other viscera, &c. Must not be confounded with *post-mortem* perforation due to digestion of stomach by gastric juice.—See *Gastric Ulcer*; *Gastric Cancer*; *Gastro-Cutaneous Fistula*; *Gastro-Cholic Fistula*.

**PERICARDITIS.**—From *Περι*, about; *καρδία*, the heart; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Exocarditis*; *Inflammation of the Pericardium*.—Inflammation of the external fibro-serous covering of heart. May be regarded as a local manifestation of constitutional disease. Occurs most frequently in connection with acute rheumatism, Bright's disease, ichoræmia, and scurvy.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sometimes so slight that disease is not suspected. When there is only a slight exudation of fibrin, or when effused serum has been rapidly absorbed and adhesions early effected, there may be only slight pain and oppression. If effusion be copious (hydro-pericardium) so as to press on heart and embarrass its movements, or when there is co-existent myocarditis, symptoms much more decided. High fever, as ascertained by thermometer; pain in cardiac region, darting through to left scapula, upwards to left clavicle and shoulder, and down arm; tumultuous action of heart; irregularity of pulse; dyspnoea; inability to lie on either side, but especially left; anxiety of countenance; noises in ears, giddiness, epistaxis, &c. As disease advances,—Patient unable to lie down, sits up in bed and leans forward supporting head on hand, extreme debility, cough, suffocative paroxysms, dysphagia, tendency to syncope, œdema of face and extremities. Great restlessness, delirium, distortion of features, tetanic spasms.

*Physical signs*:—(1) Sensations of friction communicated to hand, rare. (2) Friction-sounds; an alternate rubbing, or to-and-fro sound. (3) Friction-sounds attended with, or preceded by, valvular murmurs. (4) Extension of dulness over heart, and muffling of heart sounds, owing to serous effusion; apex beat displaced upwards, or not felt. (5) Signs of eccentric pressure analogous to those of empyema.

(6) Signs of excitement of heart. (7) Signs of weakness or paralysis of heart.

**TREATMENT.** Perfect quiet in bed. Temperature of room 65° to 70° F. Neutral salts, if there be constipation, 141, 144, 150, 152. Opium in full doses. Opium and belladonna, 344. Bicarbonate of potash (gr. 30 every two or three hours). Bicarbonate of potash drink, 355. Cream of tartar drink, 356. Chlorate of potash drink, 360. Leeches. Poppy-head fomentations. Large linseed poultices. Belladonna and opium, over cardiac region, 297. Vapour baths.—Light diet,—Gruel, arrowroot, milk, mutton broth. As soon as strength fails,—Soup, essence of beef, raw eggs, wine.

*When effusion is abundant*:—Iodide of potassium, 31. Red iodide of mercury, 54. A succession of blisters. As a forlorn hope, tapping of pericardium.

*Remedies sometimes used*:—Mercury. Tartarated antimony. Digitalis. Drastic purgatives. Bleeding. Blisters. Leeches useful in early stage.

**PERICARDIUM, ADHESION OF.**—Not easily diagnosed; often causes great hypertrophy; apex does not descend on deep inspiration, and sometimes fixed in an abnormal situation—in fourth space, or even higher; epigastrium does not move in respiration, sometimes drawn in with systole of heart; intercostal spaces over heart may be retracted either with systole or diastole.

**TREATMENT.** Avoid hurry or over-exertion; maintain strength and prevent anæmia; belladonna plaster when heart irritable.

**PERINEPHRITIC ABSCESS.**—From *Περί*, around; *νεφρός*, the kidney.—Abscess of the areolar tissue surrounding the kidney.—See *Abscess of Abdominal Walls*.

**PERIOSTITIS.**—From *Periosteum* (*Περί*, round about; *ὀστέον*, a bone); terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Periostei*.—Inflammation of the periosteum may result from injury, syphilitic taint, rheumatism, abuse of mercury, and from atmospheric exposure acting upon broken down constitutions.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain, generally aggravated at night; very acute if subjacent bone be involved. Tenderness. Thickening of inflamed part from deposit of plastic matter, forming a tense elongated swelling,—a *node*. Constitutional disturbance; varying from slight impairment of health, to acute inflammatory fever. Restless nights. Mental depression. Rigors indicate suppuration.

**TREATMENT.** Calomel and opium. Corrosive sublimate. Red iodide of mercury. Iodide of potassium, 31. Syrup of iodide of iron. Morphia and Indian hemp, 317. Cod liver oil.—*Locally*:—Leeches, rest, and hot fomentations (in acute cases). Iodine liniment. Blisters. Friction with equal parts of belladonna and mercury liniments. Subcutaneous incisions through the membrane down to the bone, to relieve periosteal tension when excessive, or to prevent suppuration when

imminent. Early incision, through skin and periosteum, when there is pus beneath the membrane.

**PERITONITIS.**—From *Περίειναι*, to stretch all over; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Peritonei*.—Inflammation of the serous membrane lining abdominal and pelvic cavities, and investing the viscera. May be acute or chronic. Rarely idiopathic; may be due to injury, perforation of stomach or intestines, disease of abdominal viscera, &c.:—

**1. Acute Peritonitis.**—Acute inflammation of peritoneum a serious disease. Accompanied with pain and swelling of abdomen, and severe symptomatic fever.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain, gradually extending over whole abdomen. Sometimes chilliness and rigors. Fever, with small, hard, long pulse. Exquisite tenderness of abdomen; increased by slightest pressure, and by any movement calling abdominal muscles into action. Patient lies on the back, with knees bent and legs drawn up. Abdomen tense, hot, and often tympanitic; motionless in respiration. Constipation; nausea and vomiting, often of green liquid; dry burning skin; small, long, frequent, feeble ("wiry") pulse; hurried respirations; often hic-cough; and tongue thickly furred. Countenance expressive of anxiety and suffering. After a time, belly may cease to be tympanitic but remain enlarged from effusion of serum. When disease is about to end fatally, abdomen usually gets much distended; pulse thready and very quick; face assumes a ghastly expression; cold clammy sweats; and death takes place from exhaustion within eight or ten days of onset.

**TREATMENT.** Opium, 344. Opiate suppositories, 340. Opium and aconite, 332. Opium and belladonna, 344. Poppy-head fomentations. Belladonna and opium, with fomentation flannels. Hemlock poultice. Linseed poultice. Turpentine stupes. Leeches. Enemata of warm soapy water, if there be fecal accumulation in colon or rectum.

**Diet:**—At first to be restricted to milk and water, tea, arrowroot, beef tea, ice, iced water, barley water. Lime water and milk, 14. When exhaustion sets in, brandy; aromatic spirits of ammonia; spirit of ether; brandy and egg mixture, 17. Essence of beef, 3.—Most perfect quiet. Air of sick room to be warm but pure. A cradle over abdomen to support bed-clothes. Good nursing.

**Remedies sometimes employed:**—Bloodletting. Blisters. Calomel and opium. Tartarated antimony. Tobacco enemata. American hellebore. Antiphlogistic regimen.

**2. Chronic Peritonitis.**—Sometimes the sequel of an acute attack; more frequently an independent affection. May be due to presence of tubercles on peritoneum,—*Tubercular peritonitis*.

**SYMPTOMS.** Somewhat obscure. Abdominal pain slight. Attacks of colic: perhaps fever with obstinate diarrhœa. Tenderness and swelling of abdomen. Peculiar rigidity of abdominal walls. Nausea. *Anæmia* and wasting. Abdominal enlargement from effusion. When

with tubercular peritonitis there is disease of mesenteric glands, phthisis, &c., the case rapidly runs on to fatal termination.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to bowels. Mild but nutritious diet : milk or cream ; cocoa ; raw eggs ; solution of raw meat, 2. Cod liver oil. Iodide of iron. Bichloride of mercury. Quinine or bark. Chemical food, 405. Hypophosphite of lime, or soda, and sumbul, 419. Pepsine, 420. Diluted iodine liniment to abdominal wall. Iodine and cod liver oil ointment, 308. Iodide of cadmium ointment, 312. Blisters. Sea air.

**PERITYPHLITIS.**—From *Περί*, around ; *τυφλός*, blind ; terminal *-itis*. Obstinate inflammation of the atetolar tissue connecting the cæcum with the psoas and iliac muscles.

**SYMPTOMS.** Severe pains shooting from right iliac region. Constipation or diarrhæa and tenesmus. Nausea. Mental depression. Fever. Pain and tenderness over cæcum, with tumefaction and increased resistance on pressure. Frequently suppuration. When abscess opens into cavity of cæcum, recovery often follows.

**TREATMENT.**—See *Cæcitis*.

**PERTUSSIS.**—From *Per*, very ; *tussis*, a cough. Synon. *Tussis Convulsiva* ; *Whooping-cough* ; *Chincough*, &c.—See *Hooping-cough*.

**PHARYNGITIS.**—From *Φάρυξ*, the gullet ; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Cynanche Pharyngea*.—Inflammation of the pharynx not as common a disease as might be expected.

Occasionally, especially in hospitals and workhouses, walls of pharynx are affected with *diffused erysipelatous inflammation*. Attended with low fever, difficulty in swallowing, rapidly increasing prostration. Morbid action may run on to sloughing. Death from exhaustion not uncommon. The remedies are,—Ammonia and bark, 371. Chlorate of potash and steel, 402. Quinine, 379. Ether and brandy, 367. Wine or brandy. Raw eggs. Restorative soup, 2. Thorough ventilation of sick room.

*Syphilitic ulceration of velum and fauces* may, after healing, produce narrowing and contraction of upper part of throat so as to impede deglutition and obstruct respiration. Incising edges of contracted opening sometimes useful. In severe cases, tracheotomy. The tracheal tube has been worn with comfort for years.

*Elongation of uvula* may result from chronic inflammation, or from a generally relaxed state of fauces. By irritating pharynx and epiglottis the hypertrophied uvula produces a troublesome tickling cough, worse on lying down at night, with occasional inclination to vomit. Astringent gargles, application of nitrate of silver, nourishing food, and ferruginous tonics failing to cure, two-thirds of the organ had better be snipped off.—See *Retro-Pharyngeal Abscess*

**PHIMOSIS.**—From *Φιμώω*, to bind tight. Synon. *Ligatura Glandis* ; *Stricture Præputii*.—A preternatural constriction of the

foreskin, preventing its being drawn back over the glans penis. May be congenital or acquired.

**SYMPTOMS.** In children, a long and contracted foreskin often gives rise to symptoms resembling those of stricture, or of stone in the bladder. Irritation, from inability to wash away secretions of corona glandis. In adults it may result from the inflammation of a gonorrhoea, or of a chancre. Swelling, from inflammation of areolar tissue. Irritation, from accumulation of discharges; which may produce balanitis, and in after-life epithelial cancer,—if there be any predisposition.

**TREATMENT.** *Palliative*.—Warm bathing. Fomentations and poultices. Tobacco or belladonna lotions. Injection of astringent lotions under prepuce. Stretching with bougies; with blades of dressing forceps.—*Radical cure*.—Circumcision. Slitting up of prepuce on dorsal aspect as far as the corona; and stitching of edges of mucous lining to skin. Water dressing after either operation.—See *Paraphimosis*.

**PHLEBITIS.**—From  $\Phi\lambda\epsilon\psi$ ,  $\phi\gamma\epsilon\beta\delta\varsigma$ , a vein; terminal *-itis*. *Synon.* *Inflammatio Venarum*.—Inflammation of the veins may be due to varicose dilatation or injury, but usually depends upon, or is accompanied by, a morbid state of the blood, as in phlegmasia after childbirth. The history of phlebitis is that of the coagula (thrombi) formed within the affected veins, and of the metamorphoses through which these coagula pass (Virchow).

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain, increased on pressure, swelling, stiffness, and redness in course of vessel, generally spreading upwards towards heart. Oedema of the limb. More or less fever. When suppuration results, rigors and flying pains in various parts of body. Constitutional disturbance then great. The result of admixture of pus or other morbid fluids with blood is to cause the latter to coagulate: in this way a vein sometimes becomes filled with a coagulum; sometimes the areolar tissue around inflames, suppuration and abscess follow, coats of vein ulcerate, and contained clot is discharged by means of the abscess. On the contrary, if poison does not produce coagulation, it mixes with the blood, affects entire system, and gives rise to secondary abscess in distant parts—lungs, liver, spleen, eye, joints, areolar tissue, &c. Occasionally a clot is carried from a large vein to the heart, and causes sudden death.

**TREATMENT.** Ammonia and bark, 371. Chlorate of potash, 61. Sulphite of soda or magnesia, 48. Quinine, 379. Brandy and egg mixture with opium, 318. Opium, or opium and belladonna, 344. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Essence of beef, 2. Eggs, cream, and extract of beef, 5. Lime water and milk, 14. Port wine or brandy.—Perfect repose, which must be continued till convalescence well established. Fomentations. Linseed poultices. Hemlock poultices.

**PHLEBOLITES.**—From  $\Phi\lambda\epsilon\psi$ , a vein;  $\lambda\iota\theta\omicron\varsigma$ , a stone. *Synon.* *Vein Stones*.—Small calculi, from size of millet seeds to that of peas,



occasionally found in the veins, especially of prostate. Frequently produce no obstruction; they lie in dilatations. Chiefly composed of phosphate of lime, carbonate of lime, and animal matter. Probably formed by calcareous deposits from the blood, having a small clot as a nucleus.

**PHLEGMASIA DOLENS.**—From  $\Phi\lambda\acute{\epsilon}\gamma\omega$ , to burn; *doleo*, to be in pain. Synon. *Phlegmasia Alba Dolens*; *Edema Lacteum*; *Crural Phlebitis*; *Obstructive Phlebitis*; *White Leg*; *Milk Leg*; *White Swelling of Lying-in Women*.—A brawny, non-œdematous, painful swelling of one or both lower extremities, attended with prostration. Probably depends on spontaneous coagulation of blood within internal or external iliac and femoral veins: coagulation due to some poisonous or acrimonious fluid entering the veins, or merely to cachectic state of system. Most probably, lymphatics also involved; they become obstructed.—Not uncommon after parturition, especially in women weakened by flooding, &c. Frequently occurs towards termination of uterine cancer. A similar condition may be induced in upper extremity by cancer of the axillary glands.—Left leg more often attacked than right.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commence in from one to five weeks after labour. Fever: headache; thirst; nausea; pain. Sometimes chills or rigors. Swelling and loss of motor power in affected extremity. Limb unnaturally hot; tender; non-œdematous, but swollen perhaps to twice its natural size, of pale white colour, tense and elastic; having a glazed or shining appearance.—After subsidence of acute symptoms, limb often remains enlarged for many weeks.

**TREATMENT.** *Acute stage*:—Ammonia in effervescence, 362. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Chlorate of potash, 61. Sulphite of soda or magnesia, 48. Hydrochloric acid. Opium. Aconite: Iodide of potassium. Quinine. Simple diet. Diluents. Perfect rest. Fomentations. *Chronic stage*:—Iodide of iron, 32. Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Ammonia and bark, 371. Phosphate of iron, 405. Nourishing food: milk, wine, and malt liquors. At first limb to be enveloped in cotton wool and slightly elevated on soft pillows. Later, bandaging. Friction with stimulating liniments. Cold water douche. Flying blisters.

*Remedies sometimes employed*:—Venesection. Leeches. Blisters. Evaporating lotions. Mercurial ointment. Calomel. Blue pill. Digitalis. Creasote. Antiphlogistic regimen.

**PHOTOPHOBIA.**—From  $\Phi\acute{\omega}\varsigma$ , light;  $\phi\omicron\beta\acute{\epsilon}\omega$ , to dread. Synon. *Phenophobia*; *Aversion to Light*.—Intolerance of light is a painful symptom in many diseases of the eye,—e.g., strumous ophthalmia, scleritis, &c. It may often be relieved by protecting the eye with a large green shade or veil, or by spectacles with glasses of a neutral tint. By darkening the room, with careful avoidance of subsequent sudden admission of light. Hot fomentations; or the steam of hot water, medicated with extract of belladonna or extract of poppies. Hemlock poultices over eye. Exposure of the eye to the vapour of

twenty or thirty drops of chloroform placed in the warm hand. Small blisters behind the ear, or on temple. Painting skin of upper eyelid with tincture of iodine.

The constitutional remedies will be those required by the disease of which the photophobia in only one of the results.

**PHRENITIS.**—From *Φρήν*, the mind; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Cephalitis*; *Cerebritis*; *Brain Fever*.—See *Cerebral Inflammation*.

**PHTHIRIASIS.**—From *Φθελ*, a louse. Synon. *Morbus Pedicularis*; *Phtheiriasis*; *Pediculatio*; *Lousiness*.—Human body may be infested with three kinds of lice:—*Pediculus corporis* vel *vestimentorum*; *Pediculus capitis* or *head louse*; and *Pediculus pubis* or *crab louse*. Prurigo senilis very frequently due to the *pediculus vestimentorum*. All are oviparous, the eggs being known as *nits*; sexes distinct; young are hatched in five or six days, and in eighteen days are capable of reproduction.

**TREATMENT.** Free washing with yellow or soft soap and hot water. Sulphur bath, 125. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Mercurial ointment. Dusting with calomel. Corrosive sublimate lotion (gr. 2 to fl. oz. j). Sulphur, stavesacre or cocculus ointment. Infusion of tobacco. Nits to be combed away, after washing the hairs with vinegar or spirits of wine. Underclothing to be boiled, not simply washed; other clothes to be ironed with hot flat iron.

**PHTHISIS.**—From *Φθίω*, to waste away.—Synon. *Tabes Pulmonum*; *Tubercular Phthisis*; *Pulmonary Consumption*; *Decline*.—Phthisis may be inherited or acquired. Left lung suffers most frequently. Apices and posterior parts of upper lobes most frequent seats of deposit at first. No period of life exempt from this scourge.—See *Tuberculosis*.

Phthisis has long been understood to imply tubercular disease, but though this is the most frequent and important cause of the destructive changes in the lungs constituting pulmonary phthisis, they may be induced otherwise. The following are recognised varieties—

Pneumonic phthisis, starting in catarrhal pneumonia, affecting separate lobules, the pneumonic products not being absorbed, but undergoing caseous degeneration, which is followed by destructive processes. Caseous pneumonia is, however, said by some to be dependent on antecedent tubercle.

Phthisis ab hæmoptoë, beginning in an attack of hæmoptysis; the blood congealing in the air-cells, setting up destructive inflammation independently of tubercle. It is very rarely that this sequence can be established.

Fibroid phthisis, in which the lungs are invaded by fibroid tissue. This may extend inwards from pleuritic exudation, or be due to a chronic pneumonic process, or to fibroid changes in tubercle. Said to be often associated with fibroid changes in other organs, and to be the result of a special constitutional tendency.

Fork and File Grinders' Phthisis, Miners' Phthisis, caused by irritation of solid particles, which set up a slow fibroid change and destructive inflammation of the lungs.

Syphilitic Phthisis, due to syphilitic deposit.

Of Phthisis there are two chief forms—

**1. Acute Phthisis.**—Two forms. *a. Acute Tuberculosis.* Commences suddenly with shivering, fever, rapid pulse, pain, cough, dyspnoea. Shortly afterwards, hectic fever, profuse sweating, diarrhoea. Increasing emaciation. Death from exhaustion, often before the tubercles have softened, and without formation of cavities, in about six weeks or from three to twelve weeks after commencement of disease.—Tubercles generally spread all through lungs in miliary form, deposit often begins in middle and lower lobes.

*b. Acute Catarrhal Pneumonia.* Begins with cough attended with fever and perspirations. The cough is frequent and violent, expectoration usually profuse, rapid loss of strength and flesh. Physical signs those of rapidly advancing condensation usually about apex of one lung, followed by excavation, harsh respiratory murmur, dulness and coarse crepitation, tubular breathing.

**2. Chronic Phthisis.**—The variety ordinarily met with. The tubercle may be confined to one or both lungs. There is first formation of tubercle, which interferes with passage of air to and from the air-cells; then inflammation round the tubercles and consolidation of the lung substance; finally, breaking down of structure, and formation of cavities. Tubercle may be deposited also in mesenteric glands, tissues of intestinal walls, kidneys, liver, nervous centres, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Gradually increasing cough, sometimes hæmoptysis; debility, expectoration, loss of appetite, and dislike to fatty food, dyspepsia, accelerated pulse, pyrexia, slight dyspnoea, loss of flesh, sweating, diarrhoea. Weakness of voice or hoarseness. A festooned appearance at reflected edge of gums. Dull aching pain under clavicles or scapulæ. Sometimes, fistula in ano one of earliest symptoms. So long as tubercle is being deposited, the temperature of the body is usually raised.

Hæmoptysis most frequent in early stage: it is very rarely fatal. Mucous membranes of bronchi, larynx, and pharynx apt to get affected with low form of inflammation: tubercle sometimes deposited in submucous tissue of these organs. Disturbance of uterine functions in women: cessation of catamenia. Congestion and tenderness of liver. Incurvation of finger-nails: clubbed appearance of ends of fingers. The debility and emaciation become more and more marked. Profuse night sweats. Diarrhoea: either due to disordered secretions, or to ulcerations about ileum and colon. Aphthæ about mouth and fauces. Urine sometimes contains albumen, or sugar. Tenderness and œdema of extremities. Mental faculties usually remain clear until death.

*Physical signs:*—At first there may be no perceptible dulness on percussion. Respiratory sounds at affected apex feeble or harsh, and

expiratory murmur audible and prolonged, with perhaps faint crepitus, or dry crackling. If tubercular deposit considerable, flattening of infra- and supra-clavicular regions. Defective expansion of upper and front part of affected side. Dulness on percussion, or percussion note of higher pitch. Harsh or tubular inspiration. Expiratory murmur prolonged. Bronchial respiration and bronchophony. In *second* stage, more marked depression of infra- and supra-clavicular regions. Deficiency of chest movement. Decided dulness on percussion, unless amount of tubercle be small and surrounded by emphysematous lung. Large crepitation. Puerile breathing in sound lung.— In *third* stage, great depression below clavicle. Flattening of whole of affected side. Retraction of intercostal spaces. Heart's impulse seen and felt at higher point than normally. Dulness on percussion, or "cracked-pot" sound, owing to solidity of layer of lung forming wall of cavity. Gurgling. Exaggerated conduction of voice. Cavernous respiration, if cavity be empty or nearly so; amphoric resonance and pectoriloquy, if it be also large.

For diminution of Vital capacity, see *Spirometry*.—For extent of Loss of weight, see *Weight of Body*.

**TREATMENT.** *General rules*:—Improvement of general nutrition. Attention to quantity and quality of food. Residence in a healthy climate: not necessarily a warm one. Exercise in open air, preferably without fatigue,—by driving, sailing, &c. Ensuring purity of air in apartments occupied. Warm clothing: flannel or chamois leather next the skin. Daily tepid sponging, preferably with salt water; friction with coarse towels, flesh-brush. Strength on no account to be lowered: exacerbations of fever to be treated by simple salines, omitting tonics for a couple of days or so. In early stage, any complication (such as fistula in ano) may be cured by operation.

*Diet*:—Most nutritious. Animal food, so long as it can be digested. Pepsine, 420. Milk; cream; raw eggs. Iceland moss and quinine jelly, 13. Milk, flour, and steel, 16. Asses' milk. Saccharated solution of lime with milk, where there is acidity of stomach. Koumiss. Rum and milk. Brandy. Port wine or sherry. Burgundy. Champagne. Hungarian wines (Ofner Auslese, Szamardnya Muscat, Carlowitz, &c.) Stout; bitter ale; Scotch ale; Guinness' stout. Too long an interval not to elapse between meals.

*Change of air and scene*:—Very valuable in early stages. Patients requiring a relaxing or sedative atmosphere in this country may be sent to Torquay, Undercliff of Isle of Wight, Sandgate, Hastings, Penzance. Where a more bracing air is suitable, Brighton, Southport, Queenstown, Western coast of Scotland. If a more complete change than this country affords be wished for, Mentone, Cannes, Ajaccio, Malta, Malaga, Algiers, Madeira, Colony of Natal, Canada; when a sea voyage is indicated, Australia or New Zealand.

Mountain climates sometimes of great service; numerous elevated situations in Switzerland and Tyrol suitable for summer residence; at *Davos* and *St. Moritz* in Engadine and in another places arrangements made for winter.

*Drugs*:—Cod liver oil, 389. Ozonized cod liver oil. Cod liver oil

and bark enemata, 22. Inunction with oil, 283. Steel and coconut oil, 391. Steel and glycerine, 392. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, 419. Arsenic. Bark in full doses. Various preparations of iron, 380, 394, 397, 401, 403, 405, &c. Iodide of iron. Quinine. Liquor potassæ. Carbonate of ammonia.—*If there be hæmoptysis*:—Iron alum, 116. Gallic acid, 103. Tannin and nitric acid, 99. Oil of turpentine, 102. Lead and acetic acid, 117.—*To relieve cough*: Opium or morphia or codeia 315, 316, 317, 346, 347, &c. Decoction of Iceland moss. Demulcent drinks, 19.—*If heart's action be irritable*:—Hydrocyanic acid. Digitalis.—*To check night sweats*:—Oxide of zinc, 111. Belladonna. Gallic acid. Mineral acids with bark. Quinine. Sponging body with very hot water.—*To check diarrhæa*:—Rhatany, 96. Catechu, 97. Vegetable charcoal, 98. Matico and rhatany, 105. Sulphate of copper and opium, 106. Nitrate of silver and opium, 107. Kino and logwood, 108. White bismuth, 112. Astringent enemata, 112.—*To check expectoration, and lessen laryngeal irritation*:—Turpentine, carbolic or creasote inhalations, 260. Hydrocyanic acid inhalations, 261. Inhalation of spray medicated with tannic acid, turpentine, steel, &c., 262. Sponging epiglottis, pharynx, and even interior of larynx, with solution of nitrate of silver.

*Local applications to chest walls*:—Strapping of affected side to prevent movements of chest and give the diseased organ rest. Iodine liniment. Dry cupping. Croton oil liniment, 303. Succession of small blisters. Blisters, kept open by savine ointment or by Albespeyre's plaster, 208. Issues, or setons, below clavicle. Frequent sinapisms. Turpentine stupes. Friction with salt water; cod liver oil, 283; salad oil; belladonna and aconite liniment, 281.

*Remedies which have been recommended*:—Pancreatine and pancreatic emulsion. Naphtha. Malt extracts. Bromide of iron. Peroxide of hydrogen. Acetic acid. Actæa racemosa. Hydrosulphuret of ammonia. Iodide of ammonium. Glycerine. Common salt. Sulphur. Codeia. Digitaline. Phosphorus. Carbonate of lead. Sanguinaria Canadensis. Arsenic. Oxalic acid. Phosphate of lime. Tartarated antimony. Mercury and chalk and other mercurials. Colchicum. Tar. Excreta of reptiles. Daily emetics. Frequent small bleedings. Inhalations of naphtha; chlorine; carbonic acid; oxygen gas; iodine; tar vapour. Arsenical cigars. Stramonium cigars. Turkish baths. Horse exercise. Laying open cavity by incision through intercostal space, and treating it as a chronic abscess.

**PIARRHÆMIA.**—From *Πίαρ*, fat; *αἷμα*, blood. *Synon.* *Lipæmia*; *Pioxæmia*.—Milkiess of the serum or fatty blood is met with under certain circumstances in disease. Its physical causes are two—viz., free fat, and molecular albumen.

(1) *Piarrhæmia* a *physiological* result of digestion, pregnancy, lactation, and hibernation. During digestion, lactescence of serum begins about two hours after ingestion of aliment, and continues for two or three hours. The serum is turbid, opalescent, and semi-

opaque; a condition only transitory, and due to absorption of fatty matters of food, formed into an emulsion by pancreatic juice, and absorbed as such in duodenum. Examined microscopically, the serum is found to contain a large number of fat globules and of molecular granules of albumen. The passage of chyle into the blood renders the serum turbid; this turbidity lasting until fatty matters enter into combination with free soda of blood.

(2) Lactescent serum a *pathological* result of disease. The cases in which its occurrence has been noted are diabetes, chronic alcoholism, dropsy, jaundice, nephritis, hepatitis, pneumonia, and especially Bright's disease.

**PICA.**—From *Pica*, a magpie, probably because this bird was supposed to live on earth or clay. Synon. *Malacia*; *Heterorexia*; *Limosis Pica*; *Cittosis*; *Allotriophagia* or *Endemic Pica*; *Depraved Appetite*.—A depraved form of appetite, in which there is a longing for remarkable substances, such as sand, cinders, slate pencil, chalk, clay, coal, sponge, &c., most common in pregnant women, chlorotic girls, and children.

**SYMPTOMS.** Distaste for usual food. An almost uncontrollable desire for improper substances. Emaciation, anæmia, mental depression, colicky pains: sometimes diarrhœa from irritation of the intestinal mucous membrane, excess of acidity in gastric secretions.

**TREATMENT.** Vegetable tonics. Antacids. Mild aperients. Ammonia and steel. Opium. Bismuth. Quinine. Lime water and milk. Sucking ice. Regulation of diet.

**PITYRIASIS.**—From *Πιτυριαν*, bran. Synon. *Herpes Furfuraceus*; *Branny Tetter*; *Dandriff*; *Dandruff*.—A chronic, squamous inflammation of the skin; attended with slight redness and much irritation. Characterised by production of minute white scales, or scurf, in great quantity. May attack any region; scalp and parts covered with hair most common seats of it—*Pityriasis capitis*. Desquamation takes place copiously and incessantly, often for months. Forming brown patches on chest, &c., *Pityriasis versicolor*, due to fungus. See *Tinea versicolor*.

*Pityriasis rubra*, sometimes called *Eczema rubrum*, a general inflammation of the superficial layer of the dermis, giving rise to a red shining, tight appearance of the skin, which is covered by large thin scales. It is attended with marked deterioration of the health, and often proves fatal.

**TREATMENT.** *Locally*:—Warm baths. Conium and starch baths. 122. Borax baths, 129. Gelatine baths, 122. Lotion of glycerine and water, equal parts. Glycerine and lime water, 286. Lime liniment. Borax and glycerine, 268. Morphia and solution of potash, 266. For *pityriasis versicolor*, bichloride of mercury lotion. Nitrate of mercury ointment, 305. Calomel ointment.

*Internally*.—Arsenic, 52. Cod liver oil. Corrosive sublimate. Colchicum.

**PLAGUE.**—From *Plaga* (πληγή), a blow or wound. *Synon.* *The Black Death; Pestilential Fever; Levant Plague; Septic or Glandular Pestilence.*—A continued contagious fever, attended with petechiæ and suppurative inflammation of lymphatic glands; has a certain resemblance to typhus.

**SYMPTOMS.** A period of incubation, varying from a few hours to three weeks; then rigor. Intense prostration. Fever. Petechiæ. Buboës, from effect of poison on the cervical, axillary, inguinal, and mesenteric glands. Carbuncles. Diarrhœa. Vomiting. Great congestion and softening of heart, liver, and spleen. Suppression of urine. Attacks of hæmorrhage. Convulsions, coma, or fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Emetics. Mild aperients. Diaphoretics. Salines. Mineral acids. Disinfectants. Cold effusion. Friction of body with oil, as a preventive measure. Avoidance of contact.

**PLETHORA OR FULNESS OF BLOOD.**—*Synon.* *Polyæmia Hæmatoplethora; Hyperæmia.* An undue amount of blood in the system, the result of overfeeding and want of exercise, or of suppression of excretion. Face red and full; vessels turgid; a sense of oppression felt. To be remedied by restricted diet, exercise, and eliminants.—Partial plethora, or a local congestion or determination of blood, is the superabundance of this fluid in one or more particular organs or tissues.—See *Hyperæmia*.

**PLEURISY.**—From *Πleurᾶ*, the side; the pleuræ being the serous membranes which invest the lungs and inner surface of thoracic walls. *Synon.* *Pleuritis; Inflammatio Pleuræ; Morbus Lateralis.*—Inflammation of the pleura runs an acute or chronic course; may be attended or not with effusion of fluid into pleural cavity. One side only may be affected, or both—bilateral pleurisy.

**SYMPTOMS.** Chilliness, or slight rigors. Fever. An acute lancinating pain in the side, called “a stitch;” situated commonly below nipple, over antero-lateral attachment of diaphragm. Pain aggravated by expansion of lung in inspiration, coughing, lying on affected side, and by pressure. A short harsh cough. Hot and dry skin; temperature not very high 101°–103°, unless pneumonia also present or pleurisy the result of blood poisoning, or assuming the form of acute empyema. Flushed cheeks. Hard and quick pulse. Slightly increased frequency of respirations. Anxiety and restlessness. Scanty and high-coloured urine.—Physical signs:—At first a *friction sound*; caused by the dry and inflamed pulmonary and costal surfaces of the pleura rubbing against each other. This rubbing may sometimes be felt by hand. It soon ceases; as the inflammation is resolved, and the two surfaces become moist and smooth; or the surfaces get adherent, the exuded lymph forming a pseudo-areolar tissue; or the surfaces become separated by effusion of serum, constituting *hydrothorax*. Quantity of effusion varies from a few ounces to several pints; when excessive it compresses yielding lung, suspends its functions, displaces heart, mediastinum, and diaphragm, and somewhat distends thoracic parietes.

*When pleurisy ends in suppuration, and pus accumulates in cavity*

of chest, the condition is known as *empyema*, which is more common in children than in adults. When this occurs, constitutional symptoms more serious, and temperature high: fever often of hectic character. The pus sometimes forms a bulging tumour in an intercostal space, with appreciable fluctuation. Occasionally, ulceration of costal pleura follows, extends through muscles, and forms an external aperture (a parietal fistula) through which pus is discharged. Or, pulmonary pleura may be perforated, an opening form into air-tubes (a bronchial fistula), and pus be expectorated.

Whether matter effused by serum, or serum mixed with blood, or pus, there will be dulness on percussion over lower part of chest. On auscultation respiratory murmur diminished. When lung compressed so that air only enters bronchial tubes, no vesicular murmur at all will be heard; but instead, *bronchial respiration*, and *bronchial voice* or *bronchophony*. Perhaps also, *ægophony*. When amount of effusion considerable, no sound may be audible in lower part of lungs. The fluid prevents the transmission of vibrations from the lung to chest walls, whence *absence of vocal vibration or fremitus*, which distinguishes the dulness of effusion from dulness due to consolidation. Heart may be greatly displaced; when fluid in left pleural cavity, impulse may be felt far to right of sternum. Affected side, enlarged: intercostal muscles inactive; spaces, obliterated or even bulging; fulness of infra-clavicular region; shoulder depressed. On healthy side, respiration *puerile*. Sometimes patient cannot lie on sound side, because movements of healthy lung become impeded by superimposed weight of dropsical pleura.—When absorption of effusion occurs, and owing to adhesions the lung cannot expand, there will be a shrinking inwards of affected side.

In *latent* pleurisy, there may be neither pain, cough, nor dyspnoea. Yet effusion may occur until one-half of chest is found full of fluid.

**TREATMENT.** In acute stage:—Perfect rest in bed. Avoidance of talking or of full inspirations, so as to prevent undue friction between inflamed surfaces. A fine flannel bandage round chest lessens the movements of ribs. Large hot and moist linseed poultices, covered with extract of poppies. Poppy-head fomentations. Sinapisms. Turpentine stupes. Leeches. Cupping to three or four ounces, often relieves severe pain more quickly than other measures. Aperients, if there be constipation. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Opium. Aconite. Citrate of potash and ammonia, 211. Ether and ammonia, 212. Diet of gruel, milk, arrowroot, tea, and broths. Soda water. Lemonade. Cream of tartar drink, 356. Indian sarsaparilla and barley water, 20.—Tonics and good food, during convalescence.—Quinine and iron, nourishing soups, and wine if patient be aged, or when symptoms assume a typhoid character.

*To promote absorption of effused fluids:*—Moderate diet, free from stimulants. Sinapisms to diseased side. Flying blisters frequently repeated. Friction with ointment of red iodide of mercury. *Iodide of potassium*, 31. Squills, digitalis, and blue pill, 28. *Iodide of iron*. Cod liver oil. The thorax to be tapped, and fluid withdrawn



by aspirator or by trocar and cannula with antiseptic precautions whenever suffocation is threatened by amount of effusion, or from paroxysms of dyspnoea, or when remedies fail to produce absorption. In empyema, free incision with use of drainage tube.

*Remedies sometimes employed*.—Calomel, or blue pill. Tartarated antimony. Colchicum. Hydrochlorate of ammonia. Hydrocyanic acid. American hellebore (*Veratrum viride*). *Digitalis*. General bleeding. Leeches. Blisters.

**PLEURODYNIA**.—From *Πλευρά*, the side; *ὀδύνη*, pain. *Synon.* *Pleuralgia*; *Pleurodyne*; *Rheumatism of Walls of Chest*; *False Pleurisy*; *Stitch in the Side*.—Chiefly of importance because the pain, which is often severe, may be wrongly attributed to pleurisy or pericarditis, or even to peritonitis.

**SYMPTOMS**. General health impaired. Loss of appetite. Low spirits. Urine loaded with urates or phosphates. In exceptional cases, rheumatism of joints. Acute pain, often coming on suddenly, frequently referred to infra-mammary region: increased by a deep inspiration, or by any movement which stretches the muscles. In nineteen cases out of twenty, muscular and fibrous textures of left side of chest alone affected.

**TREATMENT**. Ammonia, aconite, and bark, 371. Iodide of potassium, 31. Chloride of ammonium, 60. Subcutaneous injection of morphia or chloroform, 314. Quinine. Bark. Iron. Arsenic. Cod liver oil. Warm baths. Turkish baths, 130. Sulphur baths, 125. Belladonna and opium liniment, 281. *Veratria* ointment, 304. Hot linseed poultices. Sinapisms. Animal food: milk. Steel, milk, and flour, 16. Light wines. Brandy and soda water.

Cupping, leeching, blistering, and purging will only render the disorder more intractable.

**PLEURO-PNEUMONIA**.—*Synon.* *Pleuro-peripneumonia*.—Inflammation, attacking simultaneously the pleura and lung.—Pneumonia may happen without pleurisy. But when the pleura is involved in the inflammation, the pneumonia forming the chief affection, the double disease is known as *pleuro-pneumonia*. If the pleurisy predominate, it is sometimes called *pneumo-pleuritis*.—See *Pneumonia*.

**PLICA POLONICA**.—From *Plico*, to twine together. *Synon.* *Trichosis Plica*; *Trichoma*; *Polish Ringworm*.—A disease of the hair, probably allied to common ringworm of this country. Endemic in Poland, and some parts of Russia and Tartary. Characterised by tenderness and inflammation of scalp; hairs become swollen and imperfectly formed; hair follicles secrete a large quantity of viscid reddish-coloured fluid, which glues the hairs together, and unites them into tufts or felt-like masses. Two cryptogamic plants—the *Tricophyton tonsurans* and *Tricophyton sporuloides*—have been detected by a minute examination. Sometimes, matted hairs loaded with pediculi. Disease not confined to scalp, but may involve hairs on any part of integument. Odour from affected parts said to be most disgusting.

**TREATMENT**. See *Tinea*.

**PNEUMONIA.**—From *Πνευμονία*, a disease of the lungs. Synon. *Pulmonitis*; *Inflammatio Pulmonum*; *Peripneumony*.—Acute inflammation of the substance of the lungs. Right lung suffers twice as often as left. Lower lobes more frequently attacked than upper.

**SYMPTOMS.** Disease ushered in with restlessness and general febrile disturbance. Sudden and severe rigors; followed by nausea, cough, expectoration of viscid and rust-coloured sputa, pain in side, frequent distressed breathing, pulse increased in frequency, usually in moderate degree but sometimes reaching to 140 or even 160 beats in minute; dry pungent heat of skin, *calor mordax*; temperature of body rising quickly, perhaps to 105° F.; thirst, loss of appetite, prostration, headache, and perhaps transient delirium: *Herpes labialis* common.

Commonly said to consist of three stages:—(1) That of *engorgement* or *splenization*, in which substance of affected part gets loaded with blood or bloody serum, and there is exudation into air-cells, with proliferation of lining epithelium. On auscultation, *minute crepitation* is heard; at first, mingled with vesicular murmur. Percussion, at commencement, affords natural resonance, which gradually becomes obscured. This stage often not detected, and physical signs of next the first to present themselves.—(2) If the inflammation proceed, it passes into stage of *red hepatization*, in which the air-cells are choked by coagulated exudation, the spongy character of lung is quite lost, and it becomes solid, though more lacerable than natural. Neither minute crepitation nor vesicular murmur can now be heard. *Dulness* on percussion, *bronchial* or *tubular breathing*, and *bronchophony* present, together with *increased vocal vibration*, communicated to the walls of the chest by the solidified lung, and felt by the hand, unless there is also effusion into the pleural cavity.—(3) When disease still advances, there is reached the stage of *grey hepatization*, or *purulent infiltration*; consisting of diffused suppuration of pulmonary tissue, parts of lung remaining dense and impermeable. Often, no true suppuration: appearance of such simulated by liquefied exudation matter in air-cells preparatory to its removal. In latter case, air begins to re-enter affected part of lung; as evidenced by return of crepitation (*redux crepitation*) less fine than at first, and heard at end of inspiration, mingled with and then superseded by healthy vesicular murmur. The usual termination is by *Crisis*, a rapid fall of temperature with amelioration of the general symptoms which takes place before the physical signs begin to disappear. Commencement of defervescence generally between the 5th and 7th day, may occur sooner or later; convalescence and clearing of lung occupies variable time. When portion of lung breaks down and pus is expectorated, large gurgling crepitation will be heard.

Pneumonia of apex more common in children than in adults, and is met with among the latter mostly in drinkers, or as a result of poisoning by sewer gases. It is often attended with delirium.

For first day or two of pneumonia a normal amount of chlorides will be found in the urine; the quantity diminishing as inflammation advances, until they have disappeared by time hepatization is com-

plete. As latter recedes, the chlorides reappear. A deficiency of chloride of sodium in urine not peculiar to pneumonia.—Occasionally, in depressed constitutions, pneumonia ends in diffused, or in circumscribed, gangrene.

*Chronic pneumonia* may occur as sequel of acute disease; giving rise to persistent consolidation of a portion of pulmonary tissue. May be mistaken for solidification due to tubercle. It causes weakness, emaciation, cough, attacks of feverishness, loss of appetite, and sense of oppression about chest.

**TREATMENT.** *Acute form* :—Perfect rest in bed. A dose of castor oil, if there be constipation. Solution of acetate of ammonia, 211. Small doses of opium, if there be pain or restlessness. Vapour of chloroform, to relieve cough and dyspnoea. Carbonate of ammonia, with bark, if there be much debility, 212. Large linseed poultices, or poppy-head fomentations, to affected side of chest. Turpentine stupes. Light diet with plenty of cold water. Strong beef tea, wine or brandy, milk or cream, as soon as there are indications of exhaustion. *During convalescence* :—Milk, raw eggs, wine, animal food. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil.

*Chronic pneumonia* :—Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Iodide of iron, 32. Hydrochlorate of ammonia. Cod liver oil, Nourishing food. Turpentine stupes. Iodine liniment.

*Remedies sometimes employed* :—Tartarated antimony. Calomel. Veratrum viride. Digitalis. Iodide of potassium. Bicarbonate of potash, grs. 3 to 30 every 3 or 4 or 6 hours, according to age, freely diluted with some mucilaginous drink. Application of ice to walls of chest. Blood letting. Leeches. Blisters. Antiphlogistic regimen.

**PNEUMOTHORAX.**—From Πνεῦμα, air; θώραξ, the chest. Synon. *Pneumatothorax*; *Emphysema Pectoris*; *Ærothorax*.—A collection of air in the pleura. When, as generally happens, there is liquid with the air, the disease is called *Pneumothorax with Effusion* or *Hydro-pneumothorax*, or, if the liquid is purulent, *Pyo-pneumothorax*.—May arise from injury to the lung by jagged ends of a broken rib: from an external penetrating wound: from ulceration and perforation of the pleural surface by extension of a tubercular cavity.—Physical signs :—Great resonance on percussion; with indistinctness of respiratory murmur on auscultation. Amphoric resonance and echo; elicited by placing stethoscope at one point and tapping chest with finger at another; or better, by placing a coin firmly against the chest wall and striking it with the edge of another. Splashing and metallic tinkling, on practising succussion, in pneumothorax with effusion.

**TREATMENT.** Quiet, strapping of affected side, or bandage round chest. In some rare instances, the dyspnoea has been so urgent that the air, or air and fluid have had to be evacuated by puncturing pleural cavity with a grooved needle or by aspirator.

**POISONS.**—Consist of any matters which, when absorbed into the blood, are capable of destroying life. “Deadly poisons” are such substances as rapidly prove fatal in small doses. The term “de-

structive thing" is applied to any mechanical irritant,—such as pins, needles, particles of iron or glass, sponge, &c.

Poisons are arranged according to their action into three classes,—*Irritants*, *Narcotics*, and *Narcotico-Irritants*. Another division is into Irritants and Neurotics; the latter consisting of Narcotics or Cerebral poisons, and Narcotico-Irritants or Spinal and Cerebro-spinal poisons (Taylor).—See *Poisons*, in Tabular synopsis.

**SYMPTOMS.** *Irritants* :—Give rise to pain in stomach and bowels, sickness, purging with tenesmus. Evacuations often tinged with blood: pulse feeble and irregular: skin cold. Many irritants corrode the tissues with which they come in contact; hence they produce severe burning sensations in mouth, œsophagus, and stomach. The degree of chemical action produced will vary in proportion to amount of water with which noxious agent has been diluted. They cause death by inducing collapse, or convulsions; or by exciting severe inflammation; or, after a variable interval, by leading to stricture of œsophagus. Diseases which most resemble action of irritants are,—Malignant cholera, severe diarrhœa, colic, gastritis, enteritis, rupture of stomach or intestines, trichiniasis, and obstruction of bowels.

*Narcotics* :—Act on brain and spinal cord, inducing headache, drowsiness, giddiness, stupor, and insensibility. Frequently there are convulsions; sometimes paralysis. Very seldom vomiting or diarrhœa. The symptoms of apoplexy, epilepsy, and uræmia, bear a resemblance to those caused by poisons of this class. With regard to one intensely powerful agent (nitro-benzole) the symptoms may not come on for a few hours, unless several drops have been taken. In the latter case there is rapid coma and death.

*Narcotico-Irritants* :—Produce great thirst, pain in throat and stomach, vomiting and purging, delirium with spectral illusions, and rarely convulsions. Sometimes tetanus, sometimes coma or syncope. Diseases of brain and spinal cord often very insidious in their progress: hence they give rise to symptoms which may be improperly attributed to poisoning. The history, mode of attack, &c., should serve to prevent error.

**TREATMENT.** The object of practitioner may be comprised under three heads :—(1) *To promote discharge of poison from system.* When the poison has been introduced into stomach, recourse to be had to stomach-pump or to emetics. The *stomach-pump* is the best instrument for emptying the stomach, washing it out, and administering the antidote. Its employment not advisable in poisoning by corrosives, as it might cause laceration of tissues, or even perforation of œsophagus or stomach. When used, less fluid should be withdrawn than is pumped into stomach. If stomach pump cannot be employed, *emetics* must be trusted to, unless the poison has itself produced sufficient vomiting. Sulphate of zinc, rapid in action and but slightly depressing in its effects, 232. Mustard useful, 232. In poisoning by opium and other narcotics, when other emetics fail, *sulphate of copper* often acts well, 232. *Ipecacuanha* useful, especially for children, 231. A warm and stimulating emetic can be made

with ipecacuanha and ammovia, 233. Vomiting may also be excited by tickling the fauces: by free administration of hot water, or of hot greasy water.

When poison has been administered by rectum, or when it is thought to have passed from stomach into bowels, *enemata* are necessary. Salt and water, oil and barley water, soap and water, 188. Castor oil and turpentine, 190. Croton oil, 191.

When poison has been applied through wound in skin, absorption to be prevented. Ligature between trunk and wounded part, as near latter as possible. Removal of deleterious substance by suction; use of cupping glasses. Stream of cold water, long continued.

(2) *To counteract operation of poison by antidotes.* No universal antidote known: hence treatment varies with nature of substance taken. An antidote should possess these properties:—It ought to allow of being given in large doses without danger; it should act upon the poison, whether liquid or solid, at a temperature equal to or below that of body; its action should be quick; it should be capable of combining with the poison, though shielded by gastric juice, mucus, bile, or other substances contained in stomach; and it should deprive the poison of its deleterious properties (Orfila). Antidotes operate by forming harmless chemical combinations, or by producing insoluble compounds: they thus destroy the poison, or prevent its absorption. Purified animal charcoal has been recommended. It seems to have the power of combining in the stomach with poisonous principles of animal and vegetable substances, so as to produce innoxious substances: when given in large quantities it will absorb some mineral substances (especially arsenic) and render them inert: about half an ounce of charcoal is required to each grain of morphia, strychnia, or any other alkaloid; but much less for the drugs from which they are obtained, a scruple of nux vomica, for example, not requiring more than half an ounce of charcoal; and, lastly, this antidote has no injurious action on the body (Garrod).

In poisoning by *Mineral Acids*, the remedies are:—Carbonate of soda, calcined magnesia, or carbonate of magnesia, freely in milk or any mucilaginous fluid. In absence of these, whiting, soap and water, plaster of the walls. Olive oil, linseed tea, gruel, milk, barley water. If breathing be impeded, by injury to larynx, tracheotomy. Subsequently, remedies against gastritis. External parts when injured to be bathed with soap and water, olive oil, lime liniment.

*Vegetable Acids*:—Stomach-pump or emetics. Draughts containing magnesia, chalk, or whiting: mucilaginous or demulcent drinks. Alkalies (soda, potash, or their carbonates) form salts with oxalic acid, which are as injurious as the acid itself.

*Phosphorus*:—Vomiting to be encouraged by large draughts of mucilaginous or albuminous drinks. Full doses of magnesia. Turpentine. Oil to be avoided, as it is a solvent of this substance.

*Iodine*:—Vomiting to be encouraged. Free administration of amylaceous fluids, as gruel, arrowroot, starch. Latter to be continued as long as blue iodide of starch is vomited.

*Ammonia, Potash, Soda, and their Carbonates* :—Vinegar and water to neutralize poison. Acidulated barley water, orange juice. The use of oil has been recommended, with object of converting the alkali into a soap.

*Nitrate, Sulphate, and Acid Tartrate of Potash* :—No antidotes known. Vomiting to be produced. Demulcent drinks.

*Baryta and its Salts* :—Sulphate of soda, or sulphate of magnesia, or some earthy sulphate, so as to convert the poison into an inert and insoluble sulphate of baryta. Emetics or stomach-pump.

*Arsenic* :—Stomach-pump. Emetics. Vomiting to be kept up by albuminous or mucilaginous diluents. Raw eggs in milk. Eggs, milk, and lime water. Equal parts of oil and lime water. Castor oil (fl. oz. ij) to carry off any portion which has passed into intestines. Animal charcoal. Calcined magnesia. Hydrated sesquioxide of iron has been undeservedly praised: if given, large doses necessary (a table-spoonful frequently repeated). Subsequent depression of nervous power to be combated by stimulants and opium. For any inflammatory action, opium or conium or henbane.

*Corrosive Sublimate* :—Vomiting to be encouraged. Best antidotes, albumen and gluten of wheat :—White and yolk of several raw eggs; flour, made into a paste with milk or water. Subsequently, demulcent drinks and milk and Wenham Lake ice. Gargles of alum and myrrh, 252; tannin, 251; borax, 250; chlorinated soda, 254. Opiates. Chlorate of potash, 61. Iodide of potassium, 31.

*Salts of Lead* :—Soluble alkaline or earthy sulphates, as the sulphates of soda or magnesia. Milk, or milk and raw eggs. Emetics, or stomach-pump. Croton oil enema, 191. In *chronic lead poisoning* :—Croton oil, 168. Castor oil and opium, 164. Sulphate of magnesia with sulphuric acid, 142. Enemata of hot water. Hot sulphur baths, 125. Opium, 316, 317, 339, &c. Iodide of potassium, 31.

*Salts of Copper* :—Vomiting to be encouraged by warm water. Albumen, the only effectual antidote. Hence several raw eggs are to be given, followed by milk or mucilaginous drinks.

*Tartarated Antimony (Tartar Emetic)* :—Vomiting to be encouraged by milk; warm greasy water. As tannate of antimony is inert, tea to be given; decoctions of oak bark; gallic or tannic acid. Tincture of galls. Cinchona bark in tincture or powder.

*Chloride of Antimony (Butter of Antimony)* :—Magnesia in milk. Tea; decoction of oak bark; gallic acid.

*Sulphate of Zinc* :—Vomiting to be encouraged by milk or albuminous fluids. Remedies containing tannin, as for antimony.

*Chloride of Zinc* :—Emetics and albuminous drinks, followed by preparations of tannin.

*Nitrate of Silver* :—Common salt. Emetics, if vomiting be absent.

*Bismuth* :—No antidote known. Vomiting to be promoted. Emollient drinks.

*Chrome* :—Emetics. Magnesia or chalk.

*Sulphate of Iron (Green Vitriol)* :—Magnesia and diluents.

*Vegetable and Animal Irritants* :—Vomiting to be excited or encouraged. Purgatives. Linseed tea, gum water, gruel. Warm baths.

Opiates. Emollient enemata. In poisoning by cantharides, oil to be avoided; as it is a solvent of the active principle (cantharidine).

*Irritant Gases*:—Removal of patient to pure air. Artificial respiration (see *Suspended Animation*). Cautious inhalation of ammonia, ether, or steam.

*Opium*:—Stomach-pump. Emetics of sulphate of zinc, 232: sulphate of copper, 232: of a tablespoonful of mustard in water. Where there is inability of swallowing, emetics to be administered as enemata. Patient to be prevented from sleeping by dashing cold water over head and chest; walking him up and down in open air between attendants: electro-magnetic shocks to spine; flagellation to legs with a wet towel; administration of strong coffee. Alcoholic stimulants. Artificial respiration. Belladonna, in from thirty to sixty minim doses of the tincture every hour, as an antidote.

*Hydrocyanic Acid* (Prussic Acid):—No antidote to be relied on. Chlorine and mixed oxides of iron been recommended; if they were at hand their efficacy would be doubtful. Animation to be restored by cold affusion; stimulating frictions to chest and abdomen; ammonia to nostrils. Artificial respiration. After recovery from immediate effects, vomiting to be produced. Strong coffee. Brandy.

*Nitro-Benzole* (Essence of Mirbane, Artificial Oil of Bitter Almonds):—Strong coffee. Brandy. Ammonia. Turpentine enemata. Cold affusion. Galvanism. Artificial respiration.—The same treatment is necessary in poisoning by *Aniline*. No antidotes are known; but it might be advisable to try the effects of animal charcoal, if the case were seen early.

*Chloroform and Ether*:—Stomach-pump if these poisons have been swallowed. Where symptoms follow inhalation,—Exposure of patient to current of pure air. Cold affusion. Galvanism. Artificial respiration, 313.

*Alcohol*:—Stomach-pump. Cold affusion. Solution of acetate of ammonia properly diluted. Warmth to be promoted. Sinapisms to extremities and cardiac region.

*Henbane, Lettuce-Opium, and Nightshade*:—Emetics. Full doses of castor oil.

*Narcotic Gases*:—See *Suspended Animation*.

*Nux Vomica, Strychnia, and Brucia*:—Emetics. Stomach-pump. Purgative enemata. Olive oil. Animal charcoal. Warmth and sweating to be induced. Perfect quiet. Chloral in large doses. Chloroform to diminish tetanic spasms.

*Belladonna*:—Emetics. Morphia. Castor oil. Animal charcoal.

*Aconite*:—Emetics. Castor oil. Animal charcoal. Strong coffee. Ammonia or brandy. Limbs to be rubbed with hot towels. Artificial respiration.

*Digitalis*:—Emetics. Castor oil. Infusions containing tannin, as tea, decoction of oak bark, tincture of galls. Tannic acid in water. Strong coffee or brandy.

(3) *To remedy effects produced and obviate tendency to death.* Frequently too long an interval has elapsed between exhibition of poison, and the time when emetics or antidotes can be of use. 11

absorption have taken place, the symptoms must be palliated. In poisoning by depressing agents and narcotics, or such as destroy nervous force, lowering agents to be avoided; whilst stimulants and cold affusion and galvanism are resorted to. When breathing and circulation seem about to cease, artificial respiration may preserve life till the poison is eliminated. To promote elimination, the excreting functions are to be excited. Thus, in poisoning by arsenic, the employment of diuretics has been proposed, because it has been found that this poison is eventually carried off in large quantities by the urine.

**POLYÆMIA.**—From Πολύς, much; αἷμα, blood.—Abundance of blood.—See *Hyperæmia*; *Plethora*.

**POLYDIPSIA.**—From Πολύς, much; διψή, thirst. Synon. *Sitis Morbosa*; *Excessive Thirst*.—A symptom in many diseases,—fever, inflammation, cholera, diabetes mellitus, diuresis, &c.

**POLYPUS.**—From Πολύς, many; πούς, a foot.—A tumour so named because it was supposed to have numerous attachments or feet.—See *Nasal Polypus*; *Otorrhagia* (for polypus of ear); *Uterine Tumours*; *Rectal Polypus*.

**POLYSARCIA.**—From Πολύς, much; σὰρξ, flesh. Synon. *Carnositas*; *Corpulentia*; *Steatites*. Excessive corpulency.—See *Obesity*.

**POLYURIA.**—From Πολύς, much; urea. Synon. *Azoturia*.—A condition in which a larger quantity of urine than natural is secreted, containing an absolute and relative increase of urea.—See *Diuresis*.

**PRESBYOPIA.**—From Πρέσβυς, an old man; ὤψ, the eye. Synon. *Presbytia*; *Visus Senilis*; *Long-sight*. An alteration in the refractive powers of the eyes, producing presbyopia, or long-sightedness, is one of the earliest indications of the commencement of old age. Seldom begins before the forty-fifth year.

**SYMPTOMS.** The range of accommodation is diminished; vision is imperfect for near objects; distant ones are seen clearly. Often accompanied by weakness of sight (amblyopia). Rapid increase of presbyopia is a precursor of glaucoma.

**TREATMENT.** Convex glasses directly vision fails for ordinary work; to be so worn that they can be seen over at pleasure for distant objects. If there be anæmia, quinine and ferruginous tonics. Cold water douche to eyes.

**PRIAPISM.**—Priapismus, from Πρίαπος, the virile member; terminal -ισμός. Synon. *Tentigo Penis*; *Horn Colic*.—Constant and distressing erection of penis. May arise from :—(1) Injury or disease of spine, as fracture of lower dorsal or upper lumbar vertebræ. *Disease of brain*. Has been met with in leucocythemia, and may occur without obvious cause. (2) The rupture of some vessel, with



extravasation of blood into corpora cavernosa. (3) Subacute inflammation, with effusion of lymph into corpora cavernosa. (4) Vascular and nervous excitement, owing to excessive venery.

Priapism may sometimes be relieved by :—Bromide of potassium, 42. Iodide of potassium, 31. Henbane, camphor, and hop, 325. Camphor and belladonna, 326. Belladonna suppositories, with opium if there be pain, 340. Iodoform suppositories, 338. Aconite or belladonna lotions, 265. Cold lotions, 273. Arnica lotions, 275. Faradisation. Galvanism.

**PROCTALGIA.**—From *Πρωκτός*, the rump or anus; *ἄλγος*, pain. Synon. *Proctagra*; *Proctodynia*; *Dolor Ani*. Pain about the anus: due to neuralgia, or to organic disease.—See *Rectal Neuralgia*.

**PROCTITIS.**—From *Πρωκτός*, the rump or anus; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the rectum and anus.—See *Rectitis*.

**PROPTOSIS OCULI.**—From *Προπίπτω*, to fall forward; *Oculus*, the eye. A protrusion of the eyeball, so that the lids cannot cover it. Met with in peculiar forms of anæmia.—See *Graves' Disease*.

**PROSTATIC ENLARGEMENT.**—Hypertrophy may result from chronic prostatitis, or in advanced life independent of any inflammatory action. Produces displacement or compression of urethra, so that micturition is rendered slow and difficult. The whole gland may enlarge equally, or only the central portion. In hypertrophy due to inflammation a cure may sometimes be effected by a course of mercury. In senile form, only palliatives are useful :—Acids, buchu, steel, opiates, aperients, careful diet, avoidance of cold, &c. Care must be taken that the bladder is completely emptied, or chronic cystitis will be set up. Partial or complete retention of urine requires the employment of a long catheter with a large curve.

Very rarely the prostate becomes the seat of *cancer*,—especially the medullary form.

**PROSTATITIS.**—From *Prostata*, the prostate gland—*Prosto*, to stand in front, this gland being anterior to the bladder; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Prostatae*.—Inflammation of the prostate may occur in course of gonorrhœa, from violence, use of strong injections to urethra, exposure to wet in unhealthy constitutions, excessive venery, diseases of rectum, and irritation of cantharides.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain and tenderness about perineum, with sense of heat. Frequent painful micturition. Pain during defecation. Feeling of weight about perineum and rectum. Great suffering if a catheter be passed. Aggravation of suffering, rigors, fever, difficulty of micturition, &c., when the morbid action progresses to abscess.

**TREATMENT.** Perfect rest in bed. Hot hip baths. Fomentations. Poultices. Free use of belladonna to perineum. Opiate suppositories or enemata, 339; 340. Simple nourishment, without stimulants. Colchicum, 46. Iodide of potassium, 31. Bromide of potassium, 42.

Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60, Opium, 324, 339, 340, 345. Aconite, 330, 331. Belladonna, 326, 344.

*In abscess*.—Incision through perineum directly there is fluctuation. Ammonia and bark. Nourishing food; raw eggs, cream, essence of beef, &c. Wine, if there be much depression.

**PRURIGO**.—From *Prurio*, to itch; terminal *-igo*.—A chronic non-contagious cutaneous disease, characterised by an eruption of small papulæ or pimples. Causes intense discomfort. The term *Prurigo* should not be used as the synonym of *Pruritus* or *Itching*.

**VARIETIES**. *Prurigo mitis*, the mildest form.—*Prurigo formicans*, the itching being combined with a sensation like the creeping of ants or stinging of insects.—*Prurigo senilis*, which occurs in old age, and may last for the remainder of patient's life.—Irritation from prurigo not to be confounded with that caused by lice. These insects often present in old age, where there is a want of cleanliness.

**TREATMENT**. *Internally*.—Aloes, geptian, and potash, 140. Sulphate of soda and sulphur, 148. Sulphur and magnesia, 153. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Pepsine and aloes, 155. Sarsaparilla and iodide of iron, 32. Tar capsules, 36. Arsenic, 52. Steel and arsenic, 399. Bark and mineral acids, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine, 379. Nourishing food, avoiding stimulants. Acidulous drinks.

*Locally*.—Alkaline baths, 121. Sulphur baths, 125. Conium baths, 122. Creasote baths, 123. Applications of vinegar, lime water, tobacco water, solution of corrosive sublimate, solution of creasote, solution of hydrochlorate of ammonia, lotions with prussic acid and glycerine. Ointments of boracic acid, aconitine, tar, nitrate of mercury, stavesacre, sulphur, &c. Sponging with apple vinegar, and then smearing with diluted nitrate of mercury ointment.

**PRURITUS ANI**.—From *Prurio*, to itch; *Anus*, the fundament.—A very troublesome itching of anus not uncommon in cases of hæmorrhoids, dyspepsia, intestinal worms. Old people often complain of it; as do women towards the end of pregnancy, and such as have uterine disease, or such as have recently got over the change of life. Common in diabetes.

**SYMPTOMS**. Severe itching of fundament; increased by heat, rich living, &c. Often prevents sleep. The friction resorted to causes the surrounding tissues to become thickened and furrowed. Care necessary lest irritation be due to pediculi.

**TREATMENT**. *Internally*.—Electuary of senna and taraxacum, 194. Confection of pepper or sulphur. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Simple enemata, 188. Arsenic with bitter infusions, 52. Iodide of iron and sarsaparilla, 132. Tar pills or capsules, 36.

*Locally*.—Tobacco water, 265. Corrosive sublimate and prussic acid lotion, 263. Borax, morphia, and glycerine, 268. Lint dipped in tincture of opium. Lemon juice. Vinegar. Olive oil. Calomel and belladonna ointment, 299. Diluted citrine ointment, 305. *Fuller's earth* (chiefly a compound of silica, alumina, oxide of iron, and magnesia). Glycerine. Nitrate of silver. Leeches.

*General remedies*:—Cold bathing or sponging. Daily exercise in open air. A diet free from alcohol, coffee, and seasoned dishes. Cool bedroom: to sleep on a hard mattress, without too heavy clothing.

**PRURITUS VULVÆ.**—See *Vulval Pruritis*.

**PSORIASIS.**—From *Ψώρα*, tetter. Synon. *Psora Leprosa*; *Diffused Dry Tetter*; *Lepra Diffusa*.—A dry scaly eruption similar to lepra, but the spots do not heal in the centre. It affects the extensor aspect of the joints, especially over the olecranon and the patellar tendons. It may be diffused over the whole body.—See *Lepra*.

In syphilitic psoriasis the spots are usually small and numerous, and the scales are thin; they are present on the flexor aspect of the limbs, and do not itch.

**PTOSIS.**—From *Πτῶσις*, to fall. Synon. *Ptoxis Palpebræ*; *Blepharoptosis*; *Prolapsus Palpebræ*.—An inability to lift the upper eyelid from palsy of the third nerve. May be due to cerebral disease, to congestion of brain, to simple debility. When there is organic disease it may be accompanied by amaurosis.

**PUERPERAL FEVER.**—From *Puerpera*, a woman in childbed.—Fever in a woman recently delivered. From the condition of the blood after childbirth, a woman is at this time peculiarly susceptible to the influence of septic, or other blood poisons, which give rise to a severe and often fatal form of fever.

At least three forms of disease described under this name: 1. True puerperal fever, a form of septicæmia. 2. Peritonitis, metritis, pelvic cellulitis, &c. 3. Pyæmia from uterine phlebitis, &c.

The poison of true puerperal fever may be from scarlatina or other fever, from erysipelas, post-mortem, or dissecting-room taint, but especially from a previous case of puerperal fever. It may be introduced through the atmosphere, or through a breach of surface of the vulva, or in the vagina. Or septic matter from decomposing blood or offensive lochia may enter blood by the raw surface left by detachment of placenta.

**SYMPTOMS.** Rigor, or repeated slight shivering, usually within three days of delivery, sometimes later; followed by high fever. Temperature 103°—105°. Pulse very rapid. Anxious expression. Prostration of strength. Tenderness on pressure at hypogastrium. Abdomen distended. Lochia and milk suspended. Course of disease varied: sometimes rapid death from blood-poisoning, or peritonitis with extreme tympanites, or diarrhœa, or phlebitis and phlegmasia dolens, or pelvic cellulitis and abscess.

**TREATMENT.** Calomel and James's powder, followed by salines at onset (Rigby). Quinine. Quinine and nitric acid. Turpentine. Opium. Morphia injections. Fluid food. Stimulants early.

*Locally*:—Wash out vagina and uterus with weak solution of

iodine, permanganate of potash, or carbolic acid. Fomentations. Poultices.

**PUERPERAL MANIA.**—From *Puerpera* (*Puer* and *pario*), a woman in childbed: *Malvovai*, to rage.—A peculiar form of insanity occurring to women soon after delivery.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commence with restlessness, insomnia, severe pain in head, diminution of secretion of milk. Sometimes, skin hot and dry: pulse full and quick: tongue thickly furred. Often, great debility: perhaps prostration from flooding, lingering labour, or some morbid poison in system. Maniacal excitement frequently violent. Great general irritability. Complete change of character, indifference to decency; tendency to suicide, or child-murder.

**TREATMENT.** Indications are, first to rouse and support powers of patient: second, to allay irritability of brain and nervous system. (1) Brandy and egg mixture, 17. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and phosphoric acid, 379. Cod liver oil, 389. Pounded beef in broth. Wine. Beer. Milk. (2) Extract of stramonium, 323. Extract of opium, 343. Morphia and Indian hemp, 317. Subcutaneous injections of morphia, 314. Chloroform inhalation, 313.—Patient to be controlled by a trained nurse. Separation from family and friends, unless symptoms quickly yield to remedies.

**PULMONARY APOPLEXY.**—From *Pulmo*, the lungs.—The extravasation of blood into the air-cells of the lungs, and its coagulation there. It is usually due to embolism of branches of pulmonary artery. It may be *circumscribed*, the effusion varying in size from a pea to an orange: or it may be *diffused* through the broken-down pulmonary tissues. Arises from disease of heart, lung tissue, blood-vessels, or anæmia.

**PULMONARY CANCER.**—Most commonly of encephaloid or sarcomatous character. May occur as a primary or secondary infiltration, or as a primary or secondary nodular deposit. Generally associated with mediastinal cancer.—See *Intra-Thoracic Tumours*.

**SYMPTOMS.** When occurring *primarily*:—Flattening of affected side, impairment of respiratory movements, dulness on percussion. Pain, emaciation, night sweats, dyspnoea, failure of powers of life, purulent expectoration, &c. Right lung most frequently affected. Often, effusion into pleural cavity or chronic bronchitis as a complication.

In *secondary* cancer, symptoms very obscure. Frequently, dyspnoea the chief indication of pulmonary mischief. Both lungs usually affected.

Primary cancer of *pleura* very rare. Usually the disease is associated with cancer of lung, pericardium, mediastinum, &c. Deposit found as small spots, or hard layers, or in form of tumours which *sometimes* become pediculated. May be attended with effusion of *serum*, or *pus*, or *blood*. Symptoms sometimes simulate those of *phthisis*.

**TREATMENT.** Attempts must be made to relieve symptoms as they arise. Strength to be supported by nourishing food; cod liver oil; stimulants. If there be much suffering, morphia with chloroform and Indian hemp, 317. Opiate enemata, 339. Opiate suppositories, 340. Subcutaneous injections of morphia, 314.

**PULMONARY CONDENSATION.**—Consolidation of the vesicular tissue of the lung may arise from several causes. Thus, it may result from pneumonia, phthisis, cancerous deposit. From pressure exerted on lung, by fluid poured out in pleurisy; by extravasated blood, as in pulmonary apoplexy; by enlarged bronchial lymphatic glands, which are arranged along sides of air-tubes; by aneurismal or other intra-thoracic tumours. A small tube, or even a main bronchus, may thus become so obstructed that air cannot pass; and as a consequence there results collapse of that portion of lung to which the compressed bronchus leads.

In *cirrhosis* of the lung (fibroid infiltration), the vesicular structure of affected part contains no air; it is dense and hard; and is infiltrated by a tough, fibrous, and greyish material; or intersected by bands of white fibrous tissue in all directions. Perhaps there may be numerous small cavities filled with yellowish viscid mucus; the cavities consisting of dilated bronchial tubes. If entire lung be affected there will be dulness on percussion; expansion movement scarcely perceptible; no vesicular murmur: but perhaps loud gurgling rhonchi on forced inspiration. Usually the result of pleurisy, with exudation of layer of lymph, which becomes organized and invades lung substance. Of great rarity as an idiopathic affection: often connected with tubercle.

Another important form of pulmonary condensation is due to collapse of the air-cells from the plugging up of a bronchial tube. This condition sometimes described as *disseminated lobular pneumonia*, *marginal pneumonia*, *carnification*, or *pulmonary collapse*. It may be acquired or congenital:—

In *acquired pulmonary collapse*, the margin of lung, or an irregular portion of one lobe, or an entire lobe, or the whole of the organ may be involved. Obstruction owing to increase in secretion of mucous lining of tubes, with inability to cough it up. Hence, not uncommon during course of bronchitis or whooping-cough in feeble subjects. Or, secretion natural in quantity, but unduly viscid; while from debility or old age it is expelled so imperfectly that an accumulation takes place in central or some other part of lung, and acts like a plug. Physical signs,—dulness on percussion, with an absence of respiratory murmur over affected parts: unless morbid condition has been of some duration, when these signs may be masked by occurrence of a kind of compensating emphysematous distension of those portions of lung anterior to obstruction.—Stimulants, tonics, and restorative food are the only remedies of any value.

*Congenital non expansion of air-cells* met with in weakly infants. Known as *Atelectasis*, from 'Ατελής, imperfect; *ἔκτασις*, expansion.—An infant so affected looks as if about to die. Often jaundiced: cry

consists of a weak whimper: inability to suck: drowsiness and exhaustion: surface cold and slightly livid: chest but partially dilated by imperfect respiratory movements. The solidity will perhaps lessen as strength is gained, and good health be ultimately attained: or death may occur from exhaustion, with convulsions. To obviate latter, child to be wrapped in cotton wool, and kept in warm room; hot bath once or twice in twenty-four hours; friction of chest with cod liver oil and soap liniment; administration of milk, port wine, a few drops of tincture of bark, and solution of raw beef every two hours.

**PULMONARY GANGRENE.**—Gangrene of the lung is an occasional termination of pneumonia in enfeebled constitutions, with a depraved state of blood. It is due to thrombosis or embolism of branches of the pulmonary artery. Very rarely occurs independently of pneumonia, from some impediment to pulmonary circulation. May be met with in children as an accompaniment of cancrum oris. The gangrene may be diffused or circumscribed.

**SYMPTOMS.** Great and increasing debility. Loss of flesh. Hectic fever. Night sweats. Weakness and rapidity of pulse. Anxiety of countenance. Cough. Expectoration of frothy greenish-tinted sputa, which have a most offensive odour. Peculiar fetor of breath. In diffused gangrene, patient soon sinks from exhaustion. In the circumscribed form the symptoms come on more gradually, beginning with indications of pulmonary congestion. After a time there may be a little improvement; which slowly increases, and patient recovers.—In both forms, the *physical signs* are those of pulmonary condensation; with, subsequently, those caused by destruction of tissue and the formation of a cavity.

**TREATMENT.** Ammonia and bark, 371. Bark and nitro-hydrochloric acid. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Quinine with a mineral acid, 379. Solution of chlorinated soda, 76. Opium. Compound tincture of benzoin. Sulphite of magnesia, 48. Chlorate of potash. Inhalation of turpentine vapour, 260. Inhalation of atomised solutions of turpentine, steel, iodine, or sulphate of zinc, 262. Inhalation of diluted oxygen gas. Cod liver oil. Animal food. Good soups. Milk, cream, and raw eggs. Stout, or ale. Port wine or brandy.

**PURPURA.**—From Πορφύρα, a purple dye. Synon. *Hæmorrhæa Petechialis*.—A morbid condition of the blood and capillary vessels; leading to extravasations of blood into the skin, and upon mucous surfaces.

**SYMPTOMS.** Languor and debility. Sallow or dusky complexion. Epistaxis. Pains about epigastrium. Craving for food. Palpitation. Giddiness. Constipation. Sanguineous effusions into different tissues. Small hæmorrhagic spots or petechiæ. Large patches,—vibices or ecchymoses. Enlargement and softening of the spleen.

**TREATMENT.** Animal food. Fresh fruit or vegetables. Milk. Wine or beer. Aloes. Senna. Castor oil. Bark and mineral acids, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine, 379. Arsenic, 381.

Iron, 397, 399. Vinegar. Nitrate of potash? Oil of turpentine, 50. Gallic acid, 103. Citric acid. Lemon juice.

**PYÆMIA** or **PYOHÆMIA**.—From Πύον, pus; αἷμα, blood.—Blood-poisoning, owing to absorption of ichorous or putrid matters. It is characterized by a peculiar and irregular form of fever, with recurrent rigors, followed by heat and sweating; rapid loss of flesh and strength; sallow tint of skin, and peculiar odour of breath and perspiration. Microscopic emboli are carried from the focus of infection, which set up inflammation, and cause pyæmic abscesses in the lungs, the connective tissue, joints, &c.—See *Ichor hæmia*.

**PYELITIS**.—From Πύελος, a trough; terminal -itis. Inflammation of mucous membrane lining pelvis and infundibula of kidney.—See *Nephritis*.

**PYREXIA**.—From Πῦρ, a fire; ἔχω, to hold.—The febrile state, or an attack of fever.—See *Fevers*.

**PYROSIS**.—From Πυρῶ, to set on fire. Synon. *Ardor Stomachi*; *Water-brash*.—A form of indigestion in which there is frequent eructation of a thin, watery, and acid or tasteless fluid. More common in women than men. Not infrequent in advanced life. Often exists in connexion with some derangement of nervous or uterine system; or with organic disease of stomach, pancreas, or liver.

**SYMPTOMS**. Pain at pit of stomach, followed by eructation of watery and insipid or acid fluid. Sometimes nausea and vomiting; heartburn. Often associated with other symptoms of indigestion.

**TREATMENT**. White bismuth. Solution of ammonio-citrate of bismuth (Schacht's). Bismuth lozenges (officinal). Bismuth, with magnesia or soda, 65, 112. Saccharated solution of lime and milk, 14. Solution of potash and lime water, 73. Ammonia in effervescence, with hydrocyanic acid, 362. Carbonate of magnesia. Opium. Henbane. Hop. Kino. Powder of kino and opium. Compound powder of rhubarb. Aromatic sulphuric acid. Nux vomica. Alum. Nitrate of silver. Oxide of silver. Oxalate of cerium. Compound tincture of benzoin. Gallic acid. Tannin lozenges (officinal). Iron-alum.

For diet, &c., see *Dyspepsia*.

**PYTHOGENIC FEVER**.—Looking to the origin of the typhoid poison, the appellation of *Pythogenic fever* has been suggested,—πύθογενής, from πύθω (πύθωμαι, to putrefy), and γεννᾶω, to engender. Literally, “born of putridity” (Murchison). Synon. *Enteric* or *Typhoid Fever*.—See *Typhoid Fever*.

**RABIES**.—From *Rabio*, to rave. Synon. *Morbus Hydrophobus*; *Rabies Canina*; *Water-Fright*. Canine madness.—See *Hydrophobia*.

**RACHITIS.**—From *ῥάχις*, the spine; terminal *-itis*; so named because of the opinion that the spinal cord is in fault. *Synon. Rha-chitis; Osteomalacia Infantum; Inanuitio Ossium.*—See *Rickets*.

**RECTAL CANCER.**—May be of scirrhus, medullary, epithelial, or colloid form. Epithelial cancer sometimes attacks anus, and may extend some distance up the rectum.

**SYMPTOMS.** Not well marked at first; often spurious diarrhoea; but little suffering until difficulty in defecation arises. When practitioner is consulted, coats of bowel generally found extensively infiltrated with cancer, producing considerable contraction. Severe lancinating pains. Attacks of hæmorrhage. Offensive muco-purulent discharges. Debility, ending in complete prostration. Loss of flesh. Cancerous cachexia, &c. Ulceration into bladder or urethra in men; frequently, into vagina in women. Death from exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Opium, 343. Opium and belladonna, 344. Opiate suppositories, 340. Subcutaneous injections of morphia or atropine, 314. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Iodoform pills or suppositories, 338. Nourishing food: milk, cream, raw eggs. Brandy: wine. Formation of artificial anus in left loin: so as to prolong life for a few months, and render it more endurable. In epithelial cancer,—excision, cutting wide of affected tissue, and immediately afterwards touching all parts of raw surface with chloride of zinc:—See *Cancer*.

**RECTAL NEURALGIA.**—*Synon. Proctalgia.*—May persist for many weeks, without altogether subsiding for a day. Pain aggravated by passage of stools. Tenesmus. Pain may be confined to a single spot.—To be cured by nourishing food. Pepsine, 420. Simple enemata, 188. Suppositories of opium and belladonna, 340. Quinine. Zinc. Steel. Cod liver oil. Examine carefully for fissure of anus.—See *Neuralgia*.

An *irritable sphincter muscle* causes pain in defecation. On introducing finger, the muscle grips it very tightly. Mild laxatives. Bougies. Belladonna ointment. Improvement of general health.

**RECTAL POLYPUS.**—From *Πολύς*, numerous; *πούς*, the foot,—because these tumours were supposed to be attached by many roots.—More common in children than adults. The pedunculated growth arises from the mucous membrane; and it may be soft or follicular, or firm and fibrous. A *villous tumour*, resembling that sometimes found in urinary bladder, occasionally grows with a broad base from mucous membrane of rectum.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Uneasiness about fundament. Frequent desire to go to stool. Mucous discharge tinged with blood. In villous growths, perhaps abundant hæmorrhage. A polypoid tumour usually descends whenever the bowels act.

**TREATMENT.** Application of a ligature, and immediate removal of *tumour below it with scissors*, If there be no fear of bleeding, *excision only*.



**RECTAL PROLAPSUS.**—From *Prolabor*, to glide forward. Synon. *Prolapsus Ani*; *Proctocèle*; *Ectopia Ani*; *Falling of the Fundament*.—There may be protrusion only of mucous lining of rectum, or all the coats of the bowel will be found prolapsed. Caused by want of tone in sphincter ani, constipation, straining at stool, prolonged diarrhœa, irritation of worms, disease of urinary organs, stone in bladder, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** At first, protrusion only occurs when bowels act. After a time, descent follows any exertion, as standing, coughing, &c. Only a fold of mucous membrane comes down, or inverted bowel is forced out to extent of five or six inches. When prolapsus is almost constant, intestinal mucous membrane becomes indurated, perhaps ulcerated: sphincter ani found much relaxed. Discharge of mucus tinged with blood. A general sense of weight and distress about the body, with severe pain on going to stool.

**TREATMENT.** Replacement usually effected without difficulty. Sometimes, especially in children, bowel descends immediately after reduction: to be prevented by applying a pad of lint, and drawing buttocks firmly together with a broad strip of adhesive plaster. Advantageous to make children pass their motions in a recumbent posture, so as to prevent violent straining. General health to be improved: bark, quinine, glycerine, steel, cod liver oil. Constipation to be prevented: taraxacum, carbonate of magnesia, cream of tartar, or mercury and chalk. After each evacuation, bowel to be replaced: anus to be sponged with cold water. Astringent enemata of alum and decoction of oak-bark; or of tincture of perchloride of iron and water; or of infusions of matico or rhatany. Suppositories of tannic acid and cocoa butter.

*Medical treatment failing*:—Rectal supporters worn for some time. Production of superficial sloughs by application to mucous membrane of nitrate of silver, nitric acid, solution of perchloride of iron, potassa fusa, or actual cautery. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury objectionable: it may cause salivation. Excision of two or three folds of mucous membrane and skin at margin of anus. Several small folds of mucous membrane, at different parts of prolapsed bowel, to be taken up with forceps and then tightly ligatured: ligatures to be cut off short, intestine returned, a dose of opium administered, and patient to be kept in bed until ligatures come away.

**RECTAL STRICTURE.**—Synon. *Rectostenosis*; *Proctostenosis*; *Stricture Ani*.—Stricture of rectum may be limited to a ring of condensed tissue,—the annular form; or it may be confined to one side of bowel, as when it follows cicatrization of ulcers; or almost the whole gut may be narrowed and indurated. To be distinguished from constriction due to cancer, or to pressure of tumours; as well as from simple spasmodic contraction produced by irritable ulcer, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Constipation; small stools; great difficulty in voiding solid motions. Straining and bearing-down efforts. Flatulence. Pain in loins and sacrum. Mucous discharges, sometimes stained with blood. Depression of general health; low spirits. If ulceration

follow, burning pains; tenderness about sacrum and fundament; discharges of blood and pus; considerable constitutional disturbance.

**TREATMENT.** Dilatation by bougies: an instrument to be passed occasionally for some months after apparent cure. Sponge tents, 426. Slight notching of annular stricture with probe-pointed bistoury, and plugging with oiled lint; subsequently, use of bougies. Suppositories of opium and belladonna, 340. Aperient electuaries, 194. Simple enemata, especially of olive oil, 188. Nourishing food. Glycerine. Cod liver oil.

**RECTAL ULCERS.**—(1) *Irritable ulcer of rectum, or fissure of anus.* An apparently slight affection, but one which causes great suffering. Ulcer generally superficial; about one-eighth of an inch broad and third of an inch long; seated immediately within anus, and generally towards the coccyx. Most common in women; sometimes produces ovarian pain, irritability of bladder, and great pain during sexual intercourse. Passage of stools irritates the sore; producing spasm of sphincter ani, and acute burning pain which lasts some hours.—To make a thorough examination, chloroform sometimes needed.—To heal the ulcer, constipation to be prevented by mild aperients. Castor oil. Electuary of senna and taraxacum, 194. Dinner pill of pepsine and watery extract of aloes, 155. Belladonna. Cod liver oil. Copaiba. Nourishing food, free from stimulants. Locally,—Mercurial ointment and belladonna, made into a solid stick with cocoa butter, 424. Ointment of nitrate of mercury, 305. Calomel and belladonna ointment, 299. Nitrate of silver to be avoided. A longitudinal incision through centre of ulcer and superficial fibres of sphincter ani: one or two grains of opium immediately afterwards, so as to confine the bowels for two or three days. Forcible dilatation of anus so as to rupture fibres of sphincter. If an external pile be present near fissure, it should be snipped off.

(2) *Chronic ulceration with thickening of coats of rectum.* May arise as one of secondary effects of syphilis. May also be due to deposit of tubercle; to cancer; or only to a depressed state of general health. Cause to be removed. Opiate and belladonna suppositories, 340. Subsequent contraction to be prevented by bougies.

(3) *Rodent ulcer.* This intractable disease is met with at margin of anus, the sore gradually creeping up rectum. Requires,—Complete excision. Destruction with potential caustics,—chloride of zinc, 197. Steel with arsenic, 381, 399. Cod liver oil. Sulphate of zinc ointment, 294. Subcutaneous injections of atropine, or morphia, 314.

**RECTITIS.**—From *Rectus*, straight; terminal *-itis*,—because this portion of the gut was supposed to be straight. Synon. *Proctitis*; *Architis*.—Inflammation of the rectum and anus. A rare disease, now that drastic purgatives and alcoholic drinks are less abused than formerly. May be produced by external violence, or introduction of some foreign body into gut.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sense of intense heat around anus. Severe pain shooting up sacrum and back. Spasmodic contractions and excessive

sensitiveness of sphincter ani. Tenesmus, with passage of dark-coloured gelatinous mucus. Irritability of bladder. Constitutional disturbance.

**TREATMENT.** Rest in bed. Milk and farinaceous diet. Sedative enemata, 339. Opiate suppositories, 340. Ipecacuanha. Saline draughts, 348. Hot hip baths. Linseed poultices.

**RECTUM, FOREIGN BODIES IN.**—May consist of:—(1) Substances which have been swallowed; such as stones of fruit, fish-bones, coins, &c. (2) Concretions formed in intestines, having a gall-stone or some mass of indigestible matter as a nucleus. (3) Articles forced through anus; as pieces of wood, masses of flannel or sponge, syringe-pipes, gallipots, bottles, ferrules, &c.

In attempting removal of substance, force to be avoided. If sphincter be contracted, relaxation should be procured by lubricating with iodoform (one part to four of lard). Chloroform seldom necessary. Indurated fæces to be extracted with a lithotomy scoop or handle of spoon.

**REFLEX PARALYSIS.**—From *Reflecto*, to turn back. That form of palsy in which irritation at the periphery affects the centre. Diseases of uterus, urinary organs, and intestines common causes of this form. To be remedied by cure of cause, provided irritation has not existed long enough to induce organic disease in spinal cord.—See *Paralysis*.

**RELAPSING OR FAMINE FEVER.**—The name of *relapsing* or *recurrent fever* has been bestowed upon this infectious disease, because at a certain period of the convalescence there is a relapse of all symptoms. Epidemics of it have been recognised, during seasons of famine and destitution, since, 1739; and have been described under various names,—*Five-day fever*, *Seven-day fever*, *Bilious remittent fever*, *Mild yellow fever*, *Synocha*, and *Irish famine fever*.

A bacteroid organism is found in the blood; from its spiral form it is called spirilla.

**SYMPTOMS.** There may be a latent period of 3 or 4 days, or not.—Sudden accession of rigors, frontal headache, muscular pains; followed by fever, with flushing and great heat of skin, rapid pulse, thirst, pain at epigastrium, and vomiting. Jaundice occasionally present. Temperature often very high, sometimes 107°. A scarlet rash on abdomen and thigh, or true petechiæ and purpuric spots perhaps appear, but no characteristic eruption. Prostration. On 5th or 7th day profuse perspiration and complete subsidence of fever. Patient apparently quite well but weak, or suffering from rheumatoid pains, when about 14th day from commencement of symptoms, there is a relapse. On 3rd or 4th day afterwards, there is again improvement, and gradual restoration.—Seldom fatal: mortality about 1 in 40.

**TREATMENT.** Gentle aperients. Refrigerating drinks. Farinaceous diet. Perfect repose. Quinine. Opium. Wine. Tea and coffee. Wet pack. Sponging body with tepid water, or vinegar and water.

139. If there be jaundice, nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Nitrate of potash. Dry cupping to nape of neck. No remedy prevents the relapse.

**REMITTENT FEVER.**—From *Remitto*, to abate. Synon. *Febris Remittens*.—The cause of this disease being the same as that of ague, it might be described as *miasmatic* or *paludal remittent fever*.

Remittent fever varies much in severity according to nature of climate in which the poison is generated. Autumnal remittents of England and France comparatively mild: endemic remittents of tropical climates often very severe and fatal. The locality where the fever prevails seems often to impress some peculiarity upon it, especially as regards the nature of the complications which arise: hence remittent fever has been described under the names of *Walcheren fever*, *Roman fever*, *Mediterranean fever*, *Jung'e* or *Hill fever* of East Indies, *Bengal fever*, *Bilious remittent* of West Indies, *Sierra Leone fever*, *African fever*, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** The symptoms bear a resemblance to those of intermittent fever, except that there is no cessation of the fever, but simply an abatement or diminution. Shivering, followed by high fever, vomiting, sometimes jaundice. Length of remission varies from 6 to 12 hours; at the end of which time the feverish excitement increases, the exacerbation being often preceded by chilliness and rigors.

Remissions usually occur in the morning: the principal exacerbation is generally towards the evening. The disease may run on for some 14 or 15 days, and end in an attack of sweating; or it may merge into low fever. Infantile remittent, so called, is a form of typhoid fever.

**TREATMENT.** Principles to be followed, the same as in ague. Attempts to be made to shorten the exacerbation, and to lengthen the remission.—Saline and effervescing draught, 348, 349, 354. Cold drinks,—water; lemonade; ice; cold tea; cream of tartar, 356, 360. Aperients, 139, 140, 144. Emetics of ipecacuan, if there be nausea without vomiting. 231. Sinapisms to epigastrium, if there be troublesome vomiting. Tepid sponging, 138. Cold affusion, 134. Wet sheet packing, 136. Simple diet. Avoidance of stimulants.

Directly remission takes place, from 1 to 6 grains of quinine to be given every six hours: omitting it as the hot stage sets in. At next remission, to be commenced again.

Salicin. Sulphate of beberia. Warburg's tincture. Arsenic. Cold affusion; blisters to nape of neck, if stupor sets in. If there be jaundice, turpentine stupe or sinapisms to epigastrium. Nourishing broths; raw eggs; and stimulants when depression follows. Avoidance of mercury and bloodletting at any stage.

**RENAL CANCER.**—The rarest form of kidney disease: most common during first years of childhood and in old age. In children the disease may be sarcoma, with striped muscular fibres. Encephaloid

cancer much more frequent than scirrhus. When the disease is primary only one gland is usually attacked: if secondary, the reverse. Cancerous degeneration usually commences in cortical substance, and thence extends to medullary cones as well as to pelvis and ureters.

In primary cancer, the renal tumour frequently attains an enormous size: fills abdominal cavity, so that it has been mistaken for ovarian tumour. In secondary form, kidneys enlarge to smaller extent: often feel nodulated on surface.

Chief symptoms,—enlargement of affected gland. Hæmaturia; more blood escaping than in cases of calculus. Pain in loins. Sickness. Emaciation. Anasarca: perhaps ascites. Fatal exhaustion.

Medical skill can only relieve the prominent symptoms. If passage of urine be obstructed by blood clots, catheter must be used.

**RENAL DEGENERATIONS.**—From *Ren*, a kidney: *Degenero*, to degenerate.—Three different varieties of kidney disease included under this head:—Fatty, Amyloid, and Cystic Degeneration.

**1. Fatty Degeneration.**—Synon. *Large White Kidney. Bright's Disease.*—May be the result of acute desquamative nephritis; of strumous diathesis; bad living, intemperance, constant exposure to wet and cold, &c. Kidney large, pale, soft, evidently fatty on section.

**SYMPTOMS.** Gradually increasing debility; frequent and irritable pulse; striking pallor—perhaps combined with puffiness—of face and skin generally; frequent micturition, patient having to rise once or oftener in night to pass water; dyspepsia, with attacks of obstinate vomiting. A tendency to grave inflammations of serous membranes—pericarditis, peritonitis, meningitis, pleurisy; also to amaurosis, usually attacking both eyes, and due to albuminuric retinitis and degeneration. Anasarca of limbs, with dropsy of different cavities; in rare cases (unless there be co-existent heart disease) cedema of lungs, setting in suddenly, and rapidly producing serious dyspnoea. Ultimately some form of uræmic poisoning, such as convulsions, due to effects of retained urea upon nervous system; coma, soon ending in death.

Characteristic appearances of urine:—Scanty secretion, highly albuminous, of low specific gravity. In early stages, generally free from sediment; examined by microscope, neither renal epithelium, nor casts of tubes found. After a variable interval, while general characters of urine remain unaltered, there appears a light cloudy sediment; containing small waxy casts, in which are entangled one or more globular or oval cells enclosing numbers of oil-globules. Several cells completely filled with oil, presenting appearance of dark opaque masses. Usually, the casts have adhering to their surface many small oil-globules, which have escaped from ruptured cells; while numerous cells containing oil, together with detached oil-globules, are scattered over field of microscope.

When the urine is of natural colour, highly albuminous, and pre-

sents a large number of oily casts and cells, prognosis most unfavourable. These appearances indicate as serious and intractable a malady as tubercular disease of lung (George Johnson).

**TREATMENT.** Palliation of symptoms. Regulation of diet : abstinence from intoxicating drinks, starch, sugar. Sea air. Occasional purgatives,—Compound jalap powder; elaterium, &c. Bark, or quinine. Mineral acids. Ferruginous tonics. Opium may be needed if there be great irritability and restlessness: it must be prescribed with great caution. Hot water or vapour baths. Puncture of anasarcaous extremities.—See *Nephritis; Uræmia; Fatty Degeneration*.

**2. Amyloid Degeneration.**—Synon. *Waxy* or *Amyloid form of Bright's Disease*.—Waxy, lardaceous, or amyloid degeneration of kidney probably never exists alone. It renders kidney inefficient as an excreting organ, and ultimately useless. Has often some connexion with scrofula, syphilis, or disease of bones. Kidney large, firm, heavy, has glistening section; turns blue or almost black colour, with iodine and sulphuric acid.

**SYMPTOMS.** Loss of strength, coming on gradually. Lassitude. Thirst. Excessive secretion of urine: patient has to rise two or three times during night to micturate. Oedema of feet and ankles. Enlargement of liver and spleen. Urine albuminous, of low specific gravity, pale in colour, of acid reaction: under quarter of an inch object-glass delicate and transparent and waxy or hyaline tube-casts, are seen, which are formed by the coagulation of an exudation from bloodvessels into tubules denuded of epithelium. Progress of case slow. Sooner or later, anæmia; diminution in quantity of urine, with increase of albumen. Diarrhœa, if intestinal mucous membrane become affected with waxy degeneration. Ascites, or general dropsy. Death from effusion into pleuræ or pericardium; from bronchitis, or phthisis; from exhaustion; or from convulsions and coma due to uræmic toxæmia.

**TREATMENT.** Good may be effected in early stages by sea air: nourishing food: ferruginous tonics. If there be any syphilitic taint, —Iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of iron, 32, 390. Subsequently relief of prominent symptoms.—See *Uræmia*.

**3. Cystic Degeneration.**—Four forms of cystic disease may affect the kidney:—(1) Small scattered cysts, few in number, are often present on surface of kidneys, or in cortical substance, without interfering with functions of these glands. Very rarely such a cyst attains a great size, contains some pints of fluid, and forms an appreciable abdominal tumour.—(2) Cysts, varying in size from a pin's point to a hazel-nut, are not uncommonly developed in kidneys affected with chronic desquamative nephritis. Result of obstruction of uriniferous tubes by exudation.—(3) Congenital cystic degeneration, may be complete or incomplete. Infants sometimes born with large irregular shaped kidneys, made up entirely of cysts, without any trace of secreting tissue. Usually combined with other malformations.—(4) General cystic degeneration may occur gradually in adults,

owing to expansion of portions of uriniferous tubes, with obstruction and atrophy of intervening sections. Symptoms come on very gradually, not very marked: perhaps, frequent attacks of hæmaturia, albuminuria, pains about loins. Occasionally, enlargement of kidneys, so as to produce distinct tumours. Death from some complication, or ultimately from uræmia.

**RENAL INFLAMMATION.**—See *Nephritis*.

**RENAL PARASITES.**—Four varieties of Entozoa may infest the kidneys:—(1) Hydatids, containing echinococci. Very much more rare than in the liver. Sometimes, renal hydatid cysts discharged with urine: perhaps with symptoms like those produced by passage of a calculus. Recovery may follow: or cysts may be discharged at intervals for years: or death occurs from rupture of parent cyst into parts around kidney, or from its exciting inflammation and suppuration. Opium, iodide of potassium; and warm baths are remedies to be tried. If cyst attain a large size, puncture with a fine trocar may be justifiable.—(2) *Distoma hæmatobium*: cause of endemic hæmaturia of Egypt, &c. See *Hæmatozoa*.—(3) *Tetrastoma renale*: said to infest uriniferous tubes, but no instance of its occurrence known in this country.—(4) *Strongylus gigas*: very rare. One specimen in Museum of Royal College of Surgeons.—See *Entozoa*.

**RENAL TUBERCLE.**—Synon. *Tuberculous Pyelitis*.—Much more commonly a secondary than a primary affection. In former case, seldom detected till after death: both glands involved. In latter, disease extends from kidney to ureter and bladder. Large tubercular cavities produced, with destruction of renal tissue. Hæmaturia an early symptom; sometimes repeated later. Urine contains pus, often in large amount, blood, and tubercular débris if ureter be unobstructed. One or both kidneys may be affected. Symptoms, those of tuberculosis; with burning pains in loins, purulent and bloody urine, and rapid emaciation. Perhaps, renal tumour; owing to confluence of tubercular deposits, or to gradual distension of pelvis by retained urine and pus. Death occurs from exhaustion, in course of eighteen months; from progress of similar disease in other organs; or from uræmia, or ichorhæmia.

**RETINITIS.**—From *Rete*, a net or web; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Retinæ*.—Inflammation of the delicate nervous membrane called the retina occurs as a sympathetic affection in the course of other ophthalmiæ. As a simple idiopathic inflammation it is exceedingly rare.

**SYMPTOMS.** Acute deep-seated pain in eyeball, extending to temples and forehead: great intolerance of light; diminution or loss of power of vision; frequent sensations of flashes of light. Pupil found contracted; iris loses its brilliancy and becomes motionless; vascularity of the sclerotic. Constitutional disturbance severe. High fever and delirium often present.—When acute symptoms have sub-

sided, the ophthalmoscope shows vessels of retina congested and varicose; transparency of retina impaired; while extravasations of blood may often be seen, owing to rupture of one or more vessels. In unfavourable cases, masses of black pigment are visible on choroid and retina: these tissues gradually get atrophied: total blindness results.

May be caused by exposure to vivid light—large fires, furnaces, &c. Light reflected from ground very injurious to retina, because the eyes cannot well be protected from it, hence pernicious effects of glare from snow, or from burning sands of tropical climates.

TREATMENT. Perfect rest in a darkened room. Application of cold lotions or of hot fomentations, according to the patient's feelings. Mild purgatives. Sedatives to relieve pain. Simple diet.

**RETRO-PHARYNGEAL ABSCESS.**—From *Retro*, backwards: *Φάρυγξ*, the pharynx; *Abscedo*, to form an abscess.—Result of acute or chronic inflammation of loose areolar tissue between posterior wall of pharynx and muscles on anterior part of spine. Often in connection with caries of the cervical vertebræ and with strumous diathesis. Perhaps may occur in association with syphilitic taint. More common in children than adults.

SYMPTOMS. Fever, nausea, restlessness, soreness of throat. Difficulty in swallowing and breathing. A fixed and retracted state of head; rigidity of muscles at back of neck. More or less locked state of jaws; painful and difficult and drawling articulation. As painful deglutition increases, solids are refused; liquids regurgitate through nose. Spasmodic efforts at swallowing, as if there were food in gullet.—On examining fauces, a firm and projecting tumour is felt just beyond base of tongue. Death has occurred from convulsions; from coma; from tumour pressing pharynx forwards on epiglottis and rima glottidis, causing suffocation; from abscess suddenly bursting, with inspiration of pus into trachea.

TREATMENT. Puncture with a bistoury: head to be pressed forwards directly opening is made so as to facilitate escape of pus by mouth. Ammonia and bark, 371. Syrup of phosphate of iron, 405. Quinine, 379. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food. Malt liquors; wine.

**RHEUMATISM.**—*Ρευματισμός*, a flux or looseness; *ρευματίζομαι*, to be affected with looseness,—from *ρεῦμα*, a humour floating in the body causing disease. There are two forms of rheumatism, the acute and chronic:—

1. **Acute Rheumatism.**—Synon. *Rheumatic Fever*; *Synocha Rheumatica*; *Hæmoarthritis*.—A formidable disease, though rarely fatal, owing to the suffering it causes, the intensity of the fever, and the damage it so frequently inflicts upon the heart.—A superabundance of lactic (?) acid in the system is the supposed cause.

SYMPTOMS. Restless and fever, stiffness and aching pains in limbs, following exposure to cold and damp. Pain quickly increases; swelling and tenderness of one or more large joints; high fever and



constitutional disturbance. Temperature rises to  $102^{\circ}$ , in bad cases to  $104^{\circ}$ , or  $105^{\circ}$ : in fatal cases has reached  $110^{\circ}$  and  $111^{\circ}$  a few hours before death. Patient soon rendered a pitiable spectacle of helpless suffering. He dare not move; is unable to sleep; but delirium very rare; pain in joints so agonising, that weight of bed-clothes cannot be borne; skin bathed in sweat, of a disagreeable acid or sour odour; pulse full, bounding, and quick; usually constipation, sometimes diarrhoea; tongue moist, but thickly furred; and urine high coloured, acid, scanty, loaded with urates. Relapses very common.

*Complications.*—A tendency to metastasis, the inflammation suddenly leaving one part and reappearing in another. Most serious is when the pericardium or endocardium becomes affected, or when hyperpyrexia, which is sometimes attributed to cerebral rheumatism, sets in. Sometimes complicated with bronchitis, pleurisy, pneumonia. Disorganization of one or more of the affected joints rarely occurs.

When uncomplicated, average duration from twelve or sixteen to thirty days. If fatal, this result usually due to the cardiac affection or to hyperpyrexia.

*TREATMENT.* Venesection been recommended, but loss of blood is badly borne. Saline purgatives, 140, 141, 152, 155, 165, 169. Calomel and jalap. Opiates, in doses sufficient to relieve the pain. Powder of ipecacuan and opium, 213. Quinine. Quinine and iodide of potassium. American hellebore. Guaiacum. Liqueur potassæ. Sulphur. Citrate of potash, sometimes to extent of 480 grains in 24 hours. Lemon juice. Free blistering, excluding all drugs and other applications; a band of blistering fluid, about two inches deep, painted above and below affected joint; to be followed in a few hours by linseed poultice (Dr. Herbert Davies).

*Most reliable remedies* :—Salicylic acid or salicylate of soda, 20 grains every hour for six doses, repeated on the following day, then three time a day. Salicine. Opium. Large doses of the alkalies and their salts, as from 20 to 60 grains of bicarbonate of potash or soda, in an effervescing draught, every three or four hours. Colchicum, if urine continue loaded with lithates. Iodide of potassium, if disease remain stationary in one or two joints. Hot air or vapour baths, if perspiration be scanty. Tincture of perchloride of iron (3ss every six hours. *During convalescence* :—Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and iodide of iron, 382. Mild preparations of steel, 390, 391, 394, 401, 403, 404. Cod liver oil, 389.

*Diet* :—At first low; slops and arrowroot. Beef tea; milk and lime water, 14; eggs, cream, and beef extract, 5; sherry and soda water. Light puddings; vegetables; white fish. Mutton, poultry, and beef not to be allowed too soon. Malt liquors, port wine, and sugar to be avoided.

*Local Remedies* :—To lie between blankets in preference to sheets. Most complete rest in bed to be enjoined: patient not even to sit upright in bed, or to leave it for any purpose. Wrapping affected joints in cotton wool and oiled silk. Hot alkaline fomentations. Hem-

lock poultices. Small blisters at a late stage. Iodine paint, 205. If the heart be irritable, large hot linseed-meal poultices. If there be effusion into pericardium, large blisters over cardiac region. Turpentine stupes.

**2. Chronic Rheumatism.**—Synon. *Rheumatismus Non-febrilis*; *Rheumatalgia*; *Arthrodynia*.—Sometimes a sequel of rheumatic fever, but generally a separate constitutional affection. Very common in old age. The fibrous textures around the joints, or the fibrous envelopes of the nerves, or the aponeurotic sheaths of the muscles, or the fasciæ and tendons, or the periosteum are the parts which suffer.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to the general health, and to the organs of digestion. Sedatives to procure sleep.—Iodide of potassium, with tincture of serpentary or bark, 31. Liquor potassæ. Ammoniated tincture of guaiac, 43. Cod liver oil, 389. Quinine, with or without belladonna, 45, 386. Iodide of iron, 32. Ammonia and bark, 68, 371. Oil of turpentine, 50. Colchicum, 46. Sarsaparilla, 26. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Arsenic, 52. Aconite, 330, 331. Sulphur, 43, 148. Hydrochlorate of ammonia, 60. Tincture of *actæa racemosa*, 320. Arnica. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Opium and ipecacuanha, 324. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314.

Sulphurous waters of Harrogate; Buxton; Bath; Woodhall. Sea air, and warm salt water baths. Alkaline waters of Vichy. Antacid springs of Carlsbad. Hot air or vapour baths. Alkaline baths. Sulphur baths.—Ventnor; Hastings; Rome; and Nice, are good winter residences for habitual sufferers.

**Locally:**—Blisters, 208. Iodine paint, 205. Belladonna and aconite liniment, 281. Chloroform and opium liniment, 282. Veratria ointment, 304. Powdered sulphur. Plasters of belladonna or opium. Acupuncture. Ironing the part, a piece of brown paper being placed between the skin and hot iron. Moxas. Application of a bladder of ice for a few minutes. Flannel next the skin. Faradization. Continuous galvanic current.

**RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS.**—From *ῥεῦμα*, a humour floating in the body causing disease; *εἶδος*, appearance: *ἄρθρον*, a joint, terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Rheumatic Gout*; *Chronic Rheumatic Arthritis*; *Nodosity of the Joints*.—A chronic inflammatory affection of the joints, not unlike gout in a few of its characters, somewhat resembling rheumatism in other points, but differing essentially from both.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain, swelling, and stiffness of affected joints. In acute cases, disease comes on abruptly with fever and general disturbance; but usually the affection is chronic, commencing with languor, restlessness, loss of appetite, and vitiated secretions. The joints become stiff and painful; effusion into the synovial membranes causes them to appear swollen and distended, while limbs generally waste; and if *hip, knee, or ankle* be the parts affected, there is lameness. Fluctuation can sometimes be detected; or, a distinct kind of crepitus may

be felt. A peculiar crackling of the joints on movement is appreciable to the patient. If the disease be of long continuance, a degree of rigidity may occur from thickening of the articular textures, equal to that produced by bony ankylosis; or the joint may become quite disorganised from a gradual wasting of the cartilages. In addition, the articulations become deformed; there are painful spasms in the muscles of the limbs, mental depression, general lassitude, dyspepsia with acidity of stomach, rest at night disturbed, every change in the weather felt, while owing to the languid circulation the patient suffers much from cold. The complaint always lasts for several months,—sometimes for years.

**TREATMENT.** General health to be improved. Uterine functions to be regulated. Generous diet, with animal food. Claret, sherry brandy, whisky, bitter ale. Warm clothing. Carriage exercise. Sugar, pastry, pickles, and cheese to be forbidden.

Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, 141. Confection of sulphur. Sulphate of soda, 148, 153. Cod liver oil. Arsenic with quinine, iodide of potassium, steel, taraxacum, and colchicum, 31, 32, 46, 52, 381. Either of foregoing drugs separately, especially arsenic or phosphorus. Lemon juice. Mineral acids, 376, 378. Guaiacum, 43. Bark and serpentary, 375. Opium. Indian hemp. Aconite. Chloroform. Tincture of arnica. Leeches. Blisters. Mercurial or iodine plasters. Sulphur and flannel bandages. Aconite lotions. Friction, or shampooing.

Sulphur or alkaline baths, 121, 125. Arsenical baths, 128. Vapour or hot air baths. Harrogate waters; Buxton; Bath; Spa; Schwalbach; Aix-la-Chapelle; Aix les Bains; Wiesbaden; Wildbad, or Baden-Baden; Carlsbad; Vichy.

**RHINOLITHES.**—From *ῥίς*, the nose; *λίθος*, a stone.—Concretions of phosphate and carbonate of lime, magnesia, and mucus, which occasionally form in one of the nasal cavities. Nucleus may consist of a shell, piece of pencil, bean, or any foreign body. Easily detected by sounding with a probe. Removal with forceps.—See *Ozæna*.

**RHINORRHEA.**—From *ῥίς*, the nose; *ῥέω*, to flow. Synon. *Rhinoblenorrhœa*; *Nasal Gleet*.—Chronic inflammation of the nostrils, producing a constant discharge of mucus.—See *Ozæna*.

**RICKETS.**—Synon. *Rachitis*; *Osteomalacia Infantum*.—A disease peculiar to childhood, as osteomalacia is to adults. Usually appears to commence about the fifteenth or eighteenth month after birth, when the child begins to walk. The bones as they grow remain soft and flexible: they bend under weight of body. The osseous tissue looks natural in structure, but is insufficiently impregnated with earthy salts. Strumous children of the poor mostly suffer.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pallor; imperfect digestion; profuse perspiration during sleep, especially about head and face. Ends of long bones enlarged. Beading of ribs at junction with cartilages. Physiognomy peculiar. Growth stunted. Head usually large; forehead prominent;

fontanelles close slowly. Tonsils often enlarged. Chest narrow, with prominent sternum — *pigeon-breasted*. Spinal curvature. Pelvic deformity, so that in after-life parturition would be attended with great difficulty. Curvature of the limbs, especially of lower extremities (bandy legs). The deformed bones become firm after puberty.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to general habits, exercise, and clothing. Animal food: milk: raw eggs. Phosphate of lime. Phosphate of iron. Chemical food, 405. Cod liver oil. Tannic acid. Carrageen, or Irish moss. Light supports for spine, or lower limbs. Bathing with salt water. Friction. Sea air.

### RINGWORM.—See *Tinea Tonsurans*.

**RODENT ULCER.**—From *Rodo*, to gnaw. Synon. *Lupoid Ulcer*; *Cancroid*; *Peculiar Ulcer of Eyelids*.—Commences as a hard, irritable, and painful tubercle. Ulceration; the ulcer having hard margins, a dry glossy surface, and tubercles in or adjoining it. Tendency to spread slowly in every direction, completely destroying all adjacent textures—as muscle, bone, eye, &c. Most frequently situated on eyelids; next on nose or cheeks; sometimes seen on scalp or vulva. Lymphatic glands not affected. General health often remarkably good, even when the ulceration has produced frightful disfigurement. Occurs equally in both sexes, after middle period of life. No affinity between rodent ulcer and lupus: former, more allied to cancer.

**TREATMENT.** A cure can be effected by thorough extirpation with knife or caustics,—chloride of zinc, potassa fusa, nitric acid: in either operation, anæsthesia should generally be employed. Opium. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food.

**ROSEOLA.**—Dimin. of *Rosa*, a rose. Synon. *Rose Rash*; *False Measles*; *Epidemic Roseola*.—A non-contagious inflammatory affection of the skin. One of the *Exanthemata*. Characterised either by transient patches of redness, of small size and irregular form, distributed over more or less of surface of body; or by formation of numerous, small, separate, rose-coloured spots. Accompanied by slight fever. Occasionally prevails as an epidemic. Duration from one to seven days.

Roseola sometimes simulates measles, sometimes scarlatina. No coryza. Soreness and redness of fauces, with gastric disturbance, often present.—Roseola æstiva affects adults, especially women, in the summer. May arise in children from dentition. Eruption often preceded by chills and smart fever.

**TREATMENT.** Citrate of magnesia. Sulphate of magnesia with acid infusion of roses, 142. Compound rhubarb powder. Solution of acetate of ammonia with spirit of nitrous ether, 348. Aromatic sulphuric acid and compound tincture of gentian. Nitric acid. Quinine. Plain diet. Lemonade. Warm baths. Sponging with vinegar and water. During teething, lancing of gums may be required.

**RUBEOLA NOTHA.**—From *Rubeo*, to blush. Synon. *Rötheln*; *Scarlatina Morbillosa*.—Has been supposed to be a compound of measles and scarlet fever, but really a distinct disease.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fever usually very slight, but occasionally high. Tongue furred; slight sore throat; little or no coryza. Eruption resembling measles, glands of neck usually enlarged.

**TREATMENT.** Rest in bed. Diluent drinks. Warmth. Colchicum has been recommended.

**RUPIA.**—From *ῥύπος*, filth; owing to the foulness of the affected parts. Synon. *Ulcus Atonicum*; *Ecchylis Rhypia*.—A non-contagious skin disease, mostly syphilitic. May be regarded as a modification of pemphigus occurring in debilitated constitutions, and especially in systems contaminated with poison of syphilis. Characterised by eruption of flattened vesicles or bullæ; containing at first serous fluid, which soon becomes purulent or sanguinolent, and then concretes or dries into dark and black and rough scabs. Margins of surrounding skin inflame; serum continues to be poured out; incrustation increases in circumference and thickness until it somewhat resembles the shell of a limpet. As crusts fall off they leave circular ulcers, which often only cicatrize after lapse of many weeks. Loins and lower extremities most frequently affected. Duration varies from two or three weeks to several months. Seldom any danger, unless a great deficiency of vital power be present.

**VARIETIES.** Three forms usually described. When crusts are thin, and ulcers beneath them superficial,—*rupia simplex*. If crust be large, constituting marked feature of case,—*rupia prominens*. Where ulceration is extensive and deep and spreading,—*rupia escharotica*.

**TREATMENT.** Nitric acid and bark, 376. Quinine and mineral acids, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Cod liver oil. Phosphate of iron, 405. Bullæ to be punctured. Generous diet: milk; wine or malt liquors. Warm baths. Change of air.—*In syphilitic form*:—Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Iodide of Iron, 32. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Mercurial vapour baths, 131.

**SAINT ANTHONY'S FIRE.**—The popular name for *Erysipelas*. St. Anthony of Padua, was supposed to work miraculous cures of this disease.—See *Erysipelas*.

**SCABIES.**—From *Scabo*, to scratch. Synon. *Psora*; *Itch*; *Scotch Fiddle*.—A contagious troublesome skin disease, due to the *Acarus Scabiei*, attended with great itching: irritation increased by warmth. Essential feature of eruption,—minute vesicles at intervals with the burrows of the acarus. From the irritation may result papules or vesicles, or, especially in children, pustules; vesicles or pustules ruptured by scratching, causing excoriations. Most common about flexures of joints, especially between fingers, on wrists, and on abdomen.

Due to an animal parasite,—the *Acarus Scabiei* or *Sarcoptes*

*Hominis.* Female larger than male; after impregnation she burrows beneath epidermis, forming burrows or cuniculi, in which her eggs are usually deposited. Males wander over surface of epidermis.

**TREATMENT.** Thorough washing with warm water and soft soap. Sulphur ointment. Sulphur baths, 125. Sulphur soap. Lotions containing creasote, carbonic acid, corrosive sublimate, or tobacco.—Contaminated clothes to be fumigated with sulphurous acid gas; or boiled, ironed with very hot iron, or exposed to a temperature of over 212° F.; or sprinkled with powdered sulphur.

**SCARLET FEVER.**—This disease, known also as *Scarlatina*—from the Italian *Scarlatto*, scarlet—is an infectious fever, characterised by scarlet efflorescence of skin, and mucous membrane of fauces, and tonsils; the efflorescence commencing on second day of fever, and declining about fifth. Often accompanied by inflammation of throat, and sometimes of submaxillary glands. Like measles, essentially a disease of childhood; but more to be dreaded. As a rule, scarlet fever occurs only once; in the event of a second attack there is often no rash, little or no throat affection, and the disorder runs a favourable course.

Three forms:—*Scarlatina simplex*, in which skin is most affected; *scarlatina anginosa*, in which both skin and throat are severely implicated; and *scarlatina maligna*, in which there may be death within one or two days with cerebral symptoms, or the fever may have an adynamic type; rash dusky, tongue dry, throat little swollen, but tending to slough.

**SYMPTOMS.** In *scarlatina simplex*, after a latent period of from 4 to 6 days, there are sickness, fever, lassitude, and headache. On 2nd day, eruption appears in form of numberless minute dots which coalesce into general rash of a bright scarlet hue. This terminates by desquamation of the cuticle; which begins about the end of 5th day. While the rash has been appearing, the mucous membrane of mouth, fauces, and tonsils has also been affected. Tongue covered with a thick white fur, through which red elongated papillæ project; as the fur clears off, the organ presents a strawberry appearance.

In *scarlatina anginosa*, more violent symptoms. Greater fever, vomiting, sleeplessness, delirium, prostration. The fauces, palate, uvula, and tonsils get swollen, and covered with an exudation of coagulable lymph. Nasal mucous membrane frequently affected, swollen, and red, and there is purulent discharge from nose. Sometimes there is diffuse inflammation of cellular tissue of neck, which is swollen and of brawny hardness. The eruption may be delayed to 3rd or 4th day, and may come out in scattered patches. With its fading on 5th or 6th day, the fever and inflammation of throat begin to abate. Severe inflammation of the serous and mucous membranes to be feared.

In *scarlatina maligna*, the fever assumes a malignant or typhoid character. Great cerebral disturbance. Convulsions. Unconsciousness. Urgent prostration. Low muttering delirium. Tongue dry. Throat of dusky red, sometimes sloughing. The rash comes out late,

disappears in a few hours, and is renewed several times. Often a fatal termination on 3rd or 4th day, sometimes earlier.

In all forms the urine to be examined daily; as to quantity, reaction, and freedom from albumen.

*Sequelæ*.—Ulceration and enlargement of tonsils. Strumous ulcers. Ophthalmia. Scrofulous enlargements of cervical glands. Otitis and abscesses in the ears. Diseases of the scalp. Acute rheumatism. Cardiac inflammation. Scarletinal vaginitis. Anasarca, dropsy of the serous cavities, and acute desquamative nephritis with albuminuria; to be feared as much in mild, as in severe cases Uræmia.

**TREATMENT.** No *prophylactic* remedy known. Acetic acid, belladonna, and inunction with oil or lard useless.—The *simple form* only requires confinement to the bedroom; a warm bath or two; proper clothing; spare diet; and attention to the bowels. Care to be taken lest the escape of the poison by the skin be checked, and thrown back upon the kidneys. Carbonate of ammonia, 361. Acetic acid; or a drink of vinegar and water. Sponging of skin with vinegar and water, 138. Daily inunction of entire surface with hot carbolized lard or vaseline.

*Scarlatina Anginosa*.—Emetics of ipecacuanha at onset. Saline effervescing draughts. Carbonate of ammonia, 361, 364, 371. Cold or tepid sponging with vinegar and water. Wet sheet packing, 136. Cold affusion, 134. Inunction with lard. Good beef tea. Nourishing soups. Milk: cream. Raw eggs. Port wine.

*Malignant Scarlet Fever*.—Demands stimulants from commencement. Carbonate of ammonia. Bark. Port wine. Brandy. Quinine. Chlorine, 77. Hydrochloric acid and ether, 365. Ice. Acid drinks; or chlorate of potash drink, 560. Cold affusion, 134. Astringent gargles, 249, 252, 254. Nitrate of silver to throat. Essence of beef, 2. Restorative soup, 3. Cream. Raw eggs. Brandy and egg mixture, 217.

*When Dropsy supervenes*.—Compound jalap powder. Elaterium. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Ammonio-citrate of iron. Quinine. Mineral acids. Warm baths. Hot air or vapour baths. Nourishing food.

**SCIATICA.**—From *ἰσχίον*, the hip. Synon. *Neuralgia Ischiadica*; *Ischialgia*; *Coxalgia*.—Acute pain in sciatic nerve.—See *Neuralgia*; *Rheumatism*.

**SCIRRHUS OR HARD CANCER.**—From *Σκίρρῶς*, indurated. Synon. *Scirrhus*; *Carcinoma Fibrosum*; *Fibrous Cancer*.—The most frequent variety of cancer. Seen occasionally in stomach, upper part of rectum, and elsewhere; but most frequently by far in the female breast. Average duration of life, after patient's first observation of the disease, 48 months.—See *Cancer*.

**SCLEREMA.**—From *Σκληρός*, hard or stiff. Synon. *Algidæ Edema* (from *Algeō*, to be cold; and *οἰδέω*, to swell).—A peculiar

disease of new-born infants, not uncommon in France, but rarely met with in this country. Consists of partial or universal induration of subcutaneous areolar tissue, with serous effusion.

**SYMPTOMS.** Somewhat resemble those of ordinary anasarca. Usually occurs within ten days of birth; mostly in feeble or premature children. The skin assumes a dry, stiff, waxy, yellowish appearance: it gradually gets distended and unyielding, so that the infant is said to be skin-bound. Temperature of body gets reduced. Infant appears prostrated, unhealthy, perhaps jaundiced, and as if dying from exhaustion. Indications of distress, restlessness, whining cries, refusal of food, feeble pulse, laborious respiration. Gastric and intestinal disturbance apt to set in. Death often occurs from asphyxia, within a week from commencement of attack.

**TREATMENT.** Warm baths. Friction with warm flannels. Body to be enveloped in cotton wool. Port wine with a few drops of tincture of bark. Ether. Acupuncture. Solution of raw beef in distilled water, 2. If child cannot suck, mother's milk to be drawn off in a spoon and given frequently. Goat's milk. Cream.

**SCLEROTITIS.**—From *Sclerotica*, the firm fibrous tissue of the eyeball; terminal *-itis*.—Inflammation of the sclerotic coat of the eye.

Two varieties :—

**1. Rheumatic Ophthalmia.**—Synon. *Ophthalmia Arthritica*.—Acute inflammation of the sclerotic excited by cold, or by the poison of rheumatism.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pale pink redness of the eye; the turgid vessels being arranged in a radiated or zonular form, and being evidently beneath the conjunctiva. Severe aching pain round the orbit, in the eyebrow, and over the temple, always most severe at night. Occasionally, intolerance of light. Dimness of vision, from haziness of the cornea and contraction of pupil. Fever and constitutional disturbance.

**TREATMENT.** Attention to diet; avoiding port wine, beer and sugar. Bark and iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of iron and cod liver oil, 380. Colchicum, 46. Turpentine. Morphia. Henbane. Calomel and opium. Alkaline purgatives, 141, 148. Warm baths. Blisters behind the ears or to nape of neck. Friction of forehead with belladonna liniment or with chloroform liniment. Application of muslin bags filled with chamomile flowers, and dipped in a hot and strong decoction of poppy heads. Eye-shades. Spectacles with glasses of a neutral tint. Collyria of little use.

**2. Catarrho-Rheumatic Ophthalmia.**—Not an uncommon affection: characterised by a combination of the symptoms of conjunctivitis and scleritis.

**SYMPTOMS.** A feeling as of sand between the ball and lids. Circum-orbital pain. Scarlet redness of eye, chemosis, intolerance of light, epiphora, &c. If unchecked may lead to ulceration of cornea, onyx, suppuration in anterior chamber, effusion of lymph into pupil. General health usually bad.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium and bark, 31. Opium. Turpentine.



Nourishing diet : milk. Cod liver oil. Warm fomentations. Sedative collyria. Chamomile bags dipped in decoction of poppy heads.

**SCROFULA.**—From *Scrofa*, a sow ; because swine were supposed to suffer from this disease. Synon. *Scrophula* ; *Tabes Glandularis* ; *Struma* ; *King's Evil*.—A constitutional condition characterised by tendency to enlargement and inflammation of lymphatic glands, to caseous inflammation, abscesses and ulceration. It may be inherited or acquired.—See *Tuberculosis*.

**1. Scrofulous or Strumous Abscesses.**—Often commence insidiously in areolar tissue. Sometimes become indolent. Suppurate imperfectly. In other cases they burrow deeply, and in all directions. Long sinuses, from which exudes a thin sanious pus. Occasional extension to the bone,—necrosis resulting. General health much depressed. Only to be cured by a very nourishing diet ; bark ; iron ; cod liver oil ; and sea air. Iodine and its compounds regarded as anti-strumous remedies. "Chemical Food," i.e., the phosphates of lime, iron, soda, and potassa, in syrup, 405.

**2. Scrofulous Ulcers.**—An indication of the weak cachectic condition of the strumous system. Most commonly situated about neck, shoulders, arms, or hips. Extensive tracts of skin destroyed by their gradual extension. Efforts at repair slow and imperfect. Granulations absent, or exuberant and flabby : subjacent tissue boggy, and readily broken down by finger or probe. General health bad from the beginning, with daily deterioration. Cicatrization sometimes procured after destruction of the unhealthy tissue with strong caustics : nitric acid, or potassa fusa. Ordinary astringent lotions useless. Constitutional treatment most essential. Occasionally, strumous ulcerations and lupus co-exist.

**3. Inflammation and Suppuration of Lymphatic Glands.**—One of the most frequent results of the strumous habit. Glands of neck most liable. Extensive tracts of skin and areolar tissue sometimes destroyed. When pus has formed, early evacuation by knife or potassa fusa required. The resulting cicatrix becomes a great disfigurement. Constitutional remedies.—See *Adenitis*.

**SCROTAL ELEPHANTIASIS.**—Enormous hypertrophy of the scrotum. In many cases the tumour has reached below the knees. Very rare in temperate climates. There is no cure but by removal.—See *Barbadoes Leg*.

**SCROTAL OEDEMA.**—Simple oedema of scrotum is usually an accompaniment of general anasarea, especially in kidney disease. If it cause distress, relief may be given by acupuncture, but sloughing is apt to follow. The areolar tissue of scrotum may rapidly become infiltrated with urine when this becomes extravasated, or with serum as a result of erysipelas. Great constitutional disturbance : fatal sinking sometimes occurs early. Sloughing apt to take place. Tonics and stimulants must be freely employed. Scrotum to be well sup-

ported by small pillows. Fomentations. Care must be taken not to mistake cedema from extravasation of urine for erysipelatous inflammation.—See *Erysipelas*.

**SCURVY.**—Synon. *Scorbutus*; *Land Scurvy*; *Sea Scurvy*.—A complex morbid state, caused by long-continued privation of fresh succulent vegetables or fruits, or their preserved juices.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sallow dusky hue of countenance, and of skin generally. Swollen, spongy, pallid or livid gums. Fetid breath. Debility. Hemeralopia. Deafness. Dyspnœa. Sloughing of gums. Loosening of the teeth. Hæmorrhage from gums, nose, mouth, stomach, intestines. Extensive ecchymosis. Brawny swelling in hams, and stiffness of legs. Want of energy: despondency. Diarrhœa. Dysentery. Dropsy. Exhaustion. Thrombosis.

**TREATMENT.** Lemon or lime juice. Oranges. Salads. Watercresses. Potatoes. Pickles. Broccoli. Cabbage. Vinegar. Horseradish. Wood sorrel. Common sorrel. Milk. Wine or beer. Spruce beer, 7. Fresh meat and fish. Raw meat. Fresh blood. Citric acid. Iron. Catechu. Gallic acid. Tannic acid lozenges. Salts of potash with vegetable acids, but not with mineral acids. Opium. Pure air. The recumbent posture.

**SEPTICÆMIA.**—From *Σήρω*, to putrefy; *αἷμα*, blood. Synon. *Septæmia*; *Putrid Infection*.—Contamination of the blood with putrefying matters.—See *Ichorhæmia*.

**SIMPLE CONTINUED FEVER.**—Synon. *Febricula*; *Ephemera* (when only lasting a day).—A mild disease, having a variable duration of from one to ten days.

**SYMPTOMS.** Patient suddenly seized with lassitude, nausea, anorexia, chilliness, and pains in back and limbs. After a few hours,—heat of skin, rapid pulse, headache, thirst, constipation, and scanty urine. Perhaps slight delirium. Symptoms aggravated at night. About fourth day, or later, a remission; critical sweating, or diarrhœa. Convalescence often somewhat slow.

**TREATMENT.** The indications are :—(1) To moderate, when necessary, the violence of febrile excitement by saline laxatives, rest in bed, and low diet. (2) To support the powers of the system, as soon as they begin to flag. (3) To obviate local inflammations and congestions. And (4) to relieve any urgent symptoms if they arise.

**SINGULTUS.**—From *Singultus*, a sobbing. Synon. *Spasmolygmus*; *Hiccup*.—See *Hiccough*.

**SLEEPLESSNESS.**—Synon. *Insomnia* (from *In*, priv.; *somnus*, sleep); *Pervigilium* (from *Pervigilo*, or watch or to be awake all night). There may either be difficulty of getting to sleep at all, or a short sleep on first getting into bed, and then extreme wakefulness.

Often a premonitory symptom of insanity. Commonly present in

mania, aggravating the symptoms. Desire for sleep often banished in the insane: sometimes they are afraid to sleep because of frightful dreams and visions. Sleep prevented by exciting passions; mental anxiety; many acute diseases; dyspepsia; imperfect action of liver; constipation; diseases of heart and large vessels; pregnancy; jaundice, though sometimes where blood is much poisoned there is a tendency to excessive drowsiness. Medicinal doses of strychnia, or nux vomica, will often cause bad nights.

**TREATMENT.** Daily exercise in open air. A digestible diet, such as will not favour production of acidity or flatulence. Avoidance of tea and coffee in after-part of day. Dinner at one or two o'clock in afternoon, with light supper at night. Bedroom to be quiet, well-ventilated, warm. Bed to consist of mattress, without too many heavy blankets. Some nervous subjects can only sleep with head quite low, and lying on face with arms folded underneath.

When there is debility, a small cup of strong, hot beef tea, or a tumblerful of port-wine negus, or mullied claret, or white-wine whey the last thing at night. A pipe of mild tobacco often unobjectionable.—Where skin gets hot and dry, a tumblerful of cold water or soda water on going to bed. Rapid sponging of body with tepid water. Wet-sheet packing, 136. Warm foot bath. A hot-water bottle in bed draws the blood from brain to extremities. Wet compress over the eyes.

Removal of any physical cause for wakefulness. Aperients if there be constipation. Alteratives and laxatives if stools be unhealthy. Bismuth, or soda, if there be heartburn or acidity. A rag dipped in cold water, or a tight band round forehead, if there be headache. In some acute diseases, a bladder containing ice to head.

Chloral, henbane, 325, 337. Stramonium and henbane, 323. Hop, &c., 325. Indian hemp and henbane, 337. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Opiate enemata or suppositories, 339, 340. Hypodermic injection of morphia, 314. Codeia. Musk, with or without assafœtida, in hypochondriasis. When insomnia is due to nervous irritability, bromide of potassium, 42. Mesmerism. Hypnotism.

**SMALL-POX.**—Synon. *Variola*.—A continued infectious fever, attended with an eruption. Due to absorption of a specific poison. The disease would probably become extinct, were vaccination universally and efficiently performed.

**SYMPTOMS.** This disease goes through four stages,—that of incubation, primary fever, eruption, and secondary fever.

The period of latency or incubation lasts twelve days. Then there is lassitude, headache, fever, vomiting, and well-marked muscular pains in back and loins. These symptoms succeeded at end of 48 hours by eruption of small red pimples, which in course of a week become vesicular, inflame and suppurate. In many instances accompanied by a similar affection of mucous membrane of nose and mouth; generally by soreness of throat; in some, by swelling and inflammation of subjacent areolar tissue; occasionally by marked irrita-

tion of nervous system. When vomiting and pain of back are violent they are generally precursors of a severe attack.

Peculiar eruption of pimples or papulæ begins to show itself on commencement of third day of fever, appearing in following order:—First on face, neck, and wrists; secondly on trunk; and lastly on lower extremities. The papulæ have at first a hard shotty feel, then present vesicles on the summit which gradually expand laterally to about diameter of split-pea, are flat and depressed in the centre or umbilicated. On eighth day of disease an inflammatory areola forms round vesicles, and contents become cloudy and then purulent. Vesicles thus gradually ripen into pustules, suppuration being completed by ninth day of eruption; at which time pustules break, and crusts or scabs form. In four or five days more these scabs are falling off.

The severity of the disease usually bears a direct relation to quantity of eruption. When pustules are few, they remain distinct, and separate from each other; when very numerous, they run together, coalesce, and lose their regularly circumscribed circular form. Hence, a division of small-pox into—*variola discreta*, and *variola confluenta*. Former seldom attended with danger; latter never free from it. Eruption on face may be confluent, while it is scanty elsewhere; still the disease is of confluent kind. Sometimes, pustules so numerous that they touch each other, but do not coalesce; disease then said to be of *cohering* or *semi-confluent* form. Sometimes the pustules grouped in clusters and the name *corymbosa* applied. If, in confluent cases, symptoms of malignancy and putrescency are added, the disease becomes *malignant small-pox*,—a most formidable affection. Occasionally after initial symptoms, pain in back, vomiting, and fever, a rubeloid eruption and later minute petechiæ which increase in number and size, and form large patches of ecchymosis; hæmorrhage takes place into conjunctivæ, and from bladder, bowel, &c., and death occurs on 4th or 6th day; no characteristic eruption or only a few scattered papules or vesicles having appeared. This *hæmorrhagic small-pox* is almost invariably fatal.

The greatest difference between distinct and confluent forms is in the *secondary fever*; slightly marked in first, intense and perilous in second. Sets in usually about eleventh day of the disease, or eighth of eruption, and occasionally at once proves fatal; the system being overwhelmed by virulence of the poison. During its course, troublesome complications may arise,—as erysipelas, swelling of glands in groin and axilla, phlebitis, ichorhæmia, glossitis, pleurisy, pneumonia, ulceration through cornea, suppuration of ear, conjunctivitis, &c.

In *Modified Variola* in vaccinated individuals fever slight, eruption appears early and hurries through all stages; may never be umbilicated; often mistaken for chicken-pox.

*No contagion* so powerful or certain as that of small-pox; infection lasts from end of latent period until every crust has fallen off and skin cicatrized. One attack exhausts susceptibility of system

to future influence of the poison, as a rule. Variola occurring in persons unprotected by inoculation or vaccination is fatal on average to one in every three. When variolous matter is introduced into skin—*inoculated small-pox*—disease is in all respects of a mild nature. Practice of inoculation, now illegal.

**TREATMENT.** In simple cases the less drugs are used the better. Patient to be kept quiet in bed; in a well ventilated room, free from carpets, curtains, &c. Some disinfectant to be employed,—iodine very good, 81. Diet,—arrowroot, gruel, weak beef tea, tea with milk, ripe fruits. Lemonade; barley water; plain water; raspberry vinegar and water; soda water; ice. Tepid sponging. Wet sheet packing where there is high temperature, irritability and sleeplessness, 136. Change of linen once a day. Mild saline laxatives, 139, 141, 155, 169. Opium or henbane, 315, 318, 325, 340: provided there be no fear of mucus accumulating in the bronchi and threatening suffocation. *Sarracenia purpurea*, useless. Good broths, wine, ether, bark, &c., when maturation of pustules proceeds tardily. Complications to be palliated; antiphlogistic remedies injurious.

*In secondary fever:*—Mild laxatives, if necessary:—Effervescent citrate of magnesia; compound rhubarb powder. Astringents, if there be diarrhoea. Sedatives, once or twice daily, if there be restlessness. Nourishing food; pounded meat in beef tea, good soup, milk or cream, raw eggs. Alcoholic stimulants, in proportion to the depression. When temperature runs high cold bathing. When patient appears to be poisoned by absorption of septic material from pustules, continuous immersion in bath kept at temperature of 98° to 100° may save life.—If any boils or abscesses form, early incision.

*For sloughy and gangrenous sores:*—Quinine, 379. Bark and nitric acid, 376. Ale, wine, or brandy. Milk: pounded beef. Water bed.

*To prevent pitting:*—Internal administration of arsenic (?), external application of olive oil. Glycerine and rose water (equal parts). Lime liniment. Nitrate of silver. Puncturing the pustules. Collodion. Gutta percha and collodion. Mercurial ointment. Tincture of iodine. Sulphur. Linseed or yeast poultices. Water dressing. Oxide of zinc ointment.

**SPANÆMIA.**—From  $\Sigma\pi\alpha\nu\delta$ , thin or poor;  $\alpha\lambda\mu\alpha$ , blood. Thin or poor blood: a diminution in the quantity of red corpuscles.—See *Anæmia*.

**SPERMATORRHŒA.**—From  $\Sigma\pi\acute{\epsilon}\rho\mu\alpha$ , seed;  $\rho\acute{\epsilon}\omega$ , to flow. Synon. *Spermatorrhæa*; *Gonorrhæa Vera*; *Profluvium Seminis*; *Pollution*. Unduly frequent escape of seminal fluid. Often attended with a deranged state of the mental and bodily health. Masturbation the most common cause.

**SYMPTOMS.** There may be only a repeated escape of seminal fluid; or this may be associated with morbid changes in vesiculæ seminales, ejaculatory ducts, bulbous portion of urethra and prostate gland. Urine sometimes rendered slightly albuminous by seminal fluid.

General weakness: pains in loins; nervous irritability, with a dreamy absent kind of manner. Hypochondriasis. Flatulence and constipation. Dulness of sight and perhaps of hearing. Weakness of memory. Attacks of palpitation, giddiness, headache, neuralgia. In extreme cases, final result may be epilepsy, phthisis, impotence, insanity, but this rare and only seen in predisposed individuals.

**TREATMENT.** *General rules*:—Moderate mental and bodily work. Cheerful society. Not more than eight hours for sleep, on a mattress without too much clothing. Obscene works of quack doctors and sham museums, to be shunned like virulent poisons. Avoidance of heavy meals, alcoholic drinks, and tobacco: substitution of milk for tea and coffee. If emissions take place when patient lies on his back, a cotton-reel to be tied over middle of spine at night. Salt water sponge baths, tepid or cold, with friction of skin. Careful ablution of glans penis to remove irritating secretions of sebaceous follicles. Support of testicles by suspensory bandage.

*Drugs*:—Phosphoric acid, nux vomica, and bark, 376. Sulphate of zinc and nux vomica, 409. Phosphate of zinc. Quinine and iron, 380. Large doses (3j) of tincture of perchloride of iron. Cod liver oil. Bromide of potassium. Camphor, conium, and belladonna, 326. Digitalis. Ergot of rye. Cubebs.—Removal, when present, of oxyurides from rectum; or of excessive acidity of urine.

*Local treatment*:—Only required in exceptional cases. Introduction of metallic sound into bladder, once or twice a week. Nitrate of silver to prostatic portion of urethra,—Lallemand's porte caustique. Circumcision. Galvanism.

**SPINA BIFIDA.**—Synon. *Hydrorachitis*, from *ῥῆμα*, water, and *πάχος*, the spine; *Hydrorachis Congenita*; *Cleft Spine*.—A congenital deficiency of the posterior laminæ and spinous process of one or more vertebræ; owing to which there is undue distension of membranes of cord with cerebro-spinal fluid. May exist in cervical, dorsal, lumbar, or sacral region: most common in lumbar.

**SYMPTOMS.** A tumour is formed, varying in size from a walnut to a child's head. There is fluctuation: swelling most tense when child is held upright: swelling semi-transparent, or skin may be unaffected, or congested and blue. Prognosis unfavourable, if complicated with hydrocephalus; if there be paralysis of bladder or rectum and lower extremities; if the tumour threaten to burst by increasing in size. When only two or three upper lumbar vertebræ are affected, the spinal cord seldom deviates from its course and only the posterior spinal nerves have any connection with the sac. If tumour occupy part of lumbar and part of sacral region, the cord itself and its nerves will almost always be found in close contact with the sac. The disease is not necessarily fatal.

**TREATMENT.** If general health be good, and tumour small, interference will be unnecessary, beyond protecting the growth by a piece of leather or gutta percha moulded to the part. Where there is slow enlargement pressure may be tried by an air pad, or by painting with collodium. Where growth is rapid, and there is a fear of skin giving

way, tapping with a small trocar may defer a fatal result: after emptying the sac, pressure to be applied. Iodine injections have sometimes succeeded: their employment fraught with danger. In one case, a cure was effected by application of a clamp to the broad base, the instrument being gradually tightened until the tumour sloughed off.

**SPINAL CONGESTION.**—Usually chronic, and occurring in feeble constitutions after middle life. Attended with aching of back and limbs, and gradual loss of power in lower extremities. Symptoms most marked in morning, the congestion being favoured by the recumbent posture.

**TREATMENT.** Promote general health. Friction to spine. Cod liver oil. Iron and nux vomica. Arsenic. Phosphorus.

An acute form of congestion sometimes seen in young persons. Paraplegia gradually advancing upwards till respiratory centre involved, and death occurs from suffocation.

**TREATMENT.** Alternate application of ice and hot water to spine. Quinine in large doses, Nux vomica. Mercury. Iodide of potassium.

**SPINAL CURVATURE.**—The causes of spinal curvature are:—Peculiar avocations, causing the muscles on one side to become unduly developed and powerful: *e.g.*, habitual use of right arm in blacksmiths. Constant assumption of an unnatural attitude: *e.g.*, nurses carrying children always on one arm; repeatedly standing on right leg with left knee somewhat bent. Adhesions after pleurisy with contraction of one side of chest. General weakness, producing a relaxed and flabby state of all the tissues; or a deficiency of earthy matters in the osseous system, so that there results a loss of equilibrium between the resistance of spinal column and weight of upper part of body: *e.g.*, curvature from rickets, and destruction of the bodies of the vertebræ by caries.—There are three principal varieties:—*Lateral Curvature*, the convexity being to either side, but usually to the right. *Posterior curvature*, or excurvation. And *anterior curvature*, or incurvation.

**1. Lateral Curvature.**—The most common form. Appears chiefly in young women between the ages of ten and eighteen; who are said to *outgrow their strength*—*i.e.*, the wants of the system are insufficiently supplied owing to imperfect assimilation of food, too little outdoor exercise, and inattention to position while standing or walking. Its occurrence favoured by myopia, leading to constrained position in writing, or by one leg being shorter than the other. May follow pleurisy.

**SYMPTOMS.** One shoulder observed to be higher than the other: together with a *growing out* of one scapula. While one shoulder is high, the other is unduly depressed. So one hip projects, while the opposite curves inwards. On examination the vertebral column is found to be curved: in double lateral curvature it is *twisted like the italic f*. As the thoracic and abdominal cavities are more or less deformed, the play and free movements of the viscera get impaired. If there be difficulty in taking full inspirations, dyspnoea

present. The action of the muscles of the trunk is impaired. General health suffers. Pain in side, from pressure on the nerves. In curvature from rickets there is also distortion of the limbs: patient's aspect rickety.

**TREATMENT.** Maintenance of general health at highest point of efficiency. Animal food: milk; raw eggs. Cod liver oil. Sea air, and baths. Quinine and iron, 380, 382. Phosphate of iron; chemical food, 405. Strengthening of muscles and ligaments which act on vertebræ, by frictions, palpation, shampooing. Carefully devised gymnastic exercises. Removal from spinal column, by proper apparatus, of such weights or forces as tend to keep the various segments of spine in an unnatural relation to one another.

**2. Posterior Curvature.**—Chiefly affects the cervical and dorsal regions. May be caused in infancy by the frequent practice of raising the child by placing the hands under the arm-pits, and so compressing the ribs and forcing back the sternum and spine. The muscles and ligaments which keep the column erect, become relaxed. Marked in pseud-hypertrophic muscular paralysis. In rare cases, there is disease of bodies of vertebræ.

**3. Anterior Curvature.**—Synon. *Angular Curvature*; *Pott's Curvature*.—Generally associated with some constitutional affection (scrofula), producing caries or ulcerative destruction of bodies of vertebræ, or interstitial softening and absorption of calcareous elements of osseous texture. As bodies destroyed spines project backwards forming a prominent angle. As many as five or six vertebræ, with the intervertebral substances, may be affected. More frequent about mid-dorsal region than elsewhere.

**SYMPTOMS.** General indications of scrofula. Weakness, coldness, and numbness of legs, with twitchings and spasms. Tenderness or dull aching pains, in back; pains also in abdomen. Tightness of chest, with more or less dyspnoea. Occasionally, formation of strumous abscesses. Subsequently, in some cases, paraplegia with paralysis of bladder and rectum. Exhaustion and hectic. Under favourable circumstances, disease gets arrested; bones collapse, ankylosis occurs, and pus becomes absorbed; patient recovering, but with incurable deformity. Sometimes sudden death; owing to diseased bodies of vertebræ giving way and crushing spinal cord, or from occurrence of dislocation of odontoid process of axis in consequence of ulceration and destruction of its ligament.

**TREATMENT.** Perfect rest in horizontal position is indispensable. Use of a reclining couch, so shaped as to keep the trunk perfectly quiet. A plaster bandage applied over the entire trunk while the spine is extended (Sayse). A stiff bandage, or pair of stays, extending from occiput to hips, to insure rest. Any active attempts to remove deformity will altogether prevent a cure of the disease. Actual cautery in the form of *pointes de feu*. Pain to be relieved by belladonna or opium plasters: issues, setons, blisters, or leeches worse than unnecessary. Abscesses to be opened antiseptically when they point. Improvement of general health, by good diet, cod liver oil,



phosphate of lime, bark, or steel. During convalescence, mechanical support to the trunk judiciously applied.

**SPINAL HÆMORRHAGE.**—Synon. *Myelorrhagia*; *Myeloplexia*; *Apoplexia Myelitica*; *Apoplexy of the Cord*; *Paralysis from Effusion of Blood into Spinal Canal, or into Substance of Cord.*—More rare than cerebral hæmorrhage. Arises from injury; acute inflammation of cord or membrane; fatty degeneration of coats of vessels; caries and other disease of vertebræ.—Blood poured out external to dura mater; or between membranes; or into grey portion of cord. Death may happen at once; or after a variable interval from chronic softening of nervous substance.

**SYMPTOMS.** Vary according to seat of ruptured vessels. Blood effused between the membranes, gravitates to lowest part of spinal canal: hence, paralysis which gradually extends upwards. Acute and sudden pain in back, sometimes in head. Often, severe convulsions. Difficult breathing when there is pressure on upper part of cord. Heart's action depressed. Surface pale and cold. Consciousness unimpaired.—Effusion into substance of cord produces sudden paralysis in all parts supplied with nerves coming off below its seat: where hæmorrhage is very slight, loss of power occurs slowly after lapse of some hours.

**TREATMENT.** Further effusion to be checked by perfect repose: application of ice along spinal column.

**SPINAL IRRITATION.**—Synon. *Rhachialgia*; *Neuralgia Spinalis*; *Notalgia*.—Probably no disease exists deserving this name. The symptoms mostly observed in women: pains about mammæ, thorax, abdomen, or uterus. Tenderness on pressure over spinous processes of certain vertebræ. The suffering due to a combination of myalgia and hysteria, with constitutional weakness. This opinion confirmed by curative influence of belladonna plasters; nourishing food; cod liver oil; bark or steel; sea air; and moderate exercise.

**SPINAL MENINGITIS.**—From *Spina*, the backbone: *Μήνιγξ*, a membrane; terminal *-itis*.—Synon. *Perimyelitis*; *Myelomeningitis*; *Acute Paralysis from Inflammation of Membranes of Spinal Cord.*—Acute inflammation of membranes of cord not a common disease. It may terminate in resolution, effusion of serum, softening of cord, or suppuration. When acute, may be associated with disease of cerebellum or of cerebral membranes; when chronic, mostly connected with caries of vertebræ. Mechanical injuries, and exposure to wet and cold in rheumatic subjects, the most frequent causes.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fever and sleeplessness. Acute burning pains along spine, extending into limbs; greatly aggravated by motion of limbs but especially of spinal column and by pressure; often simulating rheumatism. Rigidity, or tetanic contraction of muscles of neck and back. When upper part of cord affected, and membranes of base of brain, the head generally thrown back. Feebleness of limbs, perhaps to extent of paralysis of lower extremities: loss of power extends

upwards as effused serum increases in quantity. Suffocating sensations: feeling of constriction in neck, back, and abdomen. Retention of urine. Priapism. Obstinate constipation, sometimes succeeded by diarrhoea. Great prostration, if morbid action proceed: sometimes, feverish delirium and coma.

*Cerebro-spinal meningitis* occasionally occurs as an epidemic: inmates of workhouses, soldiers in over-crowded barracks, liable to it.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium and aconite, 31. Corrosive sublimate and sarsaparilla, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Aconite and guaiacum, 330. Stramonium. Henbane. Belladonna. Castor oil. Calomel and jalap.—*Locally*.—Lint, saturated with belladonna or aconite liniment, and oiled silk. Linseed poultices. Fomentations with poppy heads and chamomile flowers. Ice. Blisters. Tartarated antimony ointment. Painting of spine with diluted iodine liniment. Leeches.

To prevent the spread of epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis, removal from unhealthy locality is necessary.

**SPINAL MYELITIS.**—From *Μυελόν*, marrow; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the substance of the cord; usually only a segment involved, and not entire length, may be due to injury or to disease of vertebra. Syphilis a common cause.

**SYMPTOMS.** Slight fever. Pain in back, of dull aching character, gradual loss of power in lower limbs and in body below seat of disease, and later also of sensation. Early loss of control over bladder and rectum. Sensation as of cord round body. Tenderness on percussion of spine, and pain on application of hot sponge over affected segment. Reflex action often exaggerated in lower extremities, and involuntary starting of limbs common. Sometimes the paralysed lower extremities are flaccid, and others very rigid; this latter condition, *Spastic paraplegia*, believed to indicate usually, but not invariably, descending degeneration of the lateral columns. Patellar tendon reaction often exaggerated and ankle clonus marked. Tendency to formation of bedsores.

**TREATMENT.** Remove any known cause if possible, such as injury or disease of vertebrae. Iodide of potassium, mercury—these especially if disease of syphilitic origin. Belladonna. Henbane. Locally, blisters; caustery. Iodine; ice; fomentations. Great attention to be given to bladder to prevent accumulation and decomposition of urine and inflammation of bladder. Bowels to be relieved by aperients and enemata. Water bed or cushions to prevent formation of bedsores by pressure.

**SPINAL TUMOURS.**—Paralysis may arise from long-continued pressure of tumours on the cord, producing partial atrophy. Morbid growths consist of tubercle, syphilitic deposit, cancer, bone, or hydatid cysts. Exostosis of odontoid process of second cervical vertebra, an occasional cause. Sometimes, tumour has its origin in syphilitic disease of vertebrae.

**SYMPTOMS.** Come on slowly. Paralysis often not manifested until

great pressure is exerted. Paralysis of motion almost always precedes that of sensation. Pain over seat of growth. Cramps, and convulsive movements of extremities. Nature of tumour to be inferred from history and associated symptoms.

**TREATMENT.** Iodide of potassium. Iodide of ammonium. Red iodide of mercury. Corrosive sublimate. Syrup of iodide of iron. Cod liver oil. Nourishing food: milk. Counter-irritants to painful parts of spine, occasionally useful.

**SPIROMETRY.**—From *Spiro*, to breathe; *μετρέω*, to measure. The mode of measuring the quantity of air which the lungs can contain.

Spirometers, or Spiroscopes, or Pneumometers, are instruments for measuring the volume of air expired from the lungs. This volume is diminished in each stage of phthisis. Quantity of air expired after most complete inspiration is the *vital volume* or *vital capacity*. The vital capacity always increases with stature; also slightly affected by weight, but not sufficiently to interfere with correctness of following table, which shows the capacity in health and in the three stages of phthisis:—

<i>Height.</i>		<i>Capacity in Health.</i>		<i>Capacity in Phthisis Pulmonalis.</i>		
<i>Ft. in.</i>	<i>Ft. in.</i>	<i>Cub. in.</i>	<i>1st Stage. Cub. in.</i>	<i>2nd Stage. Cub. in.</i>	<i>3rd Stage. Cub. in.</i>	
5	0 to 5	1 ..... 174	..... 117	..... 99	..... 82	
5	1 „ 5	2 ..... 182	..... 122	..... 102	..... 86	
5	2 „ 5	3 ..... 190	..... 127	..... 108	..... 89	
5	3 „ 5	4 ..... 198	..... 133	..... 113	..... 93	
5	4 „ 5	5 ..... 206	..... 138	..... 117	..... 97	
5	5 „ 5	6 ..... 214	..... 143	..... 122	..... 100	
5	6 „ 5	7 ..... 222	..... 149	..... 127	..... 104	
5	7 „ 5	8 ..... 230	..... 154	..... 131	..... 108	
5	8 „ 5	9 ..... 238	..... 159	..... 136	..... 112	
5	9 „ 5	10 ..... 246	..... 165	..... 140	..... 116	
5	10 „ 5	11 ..... 254	..... 170	..... 145	..... 119	
5	11 „ 6	0 ..... 262	..... 176	..... 149	..... 123	

This table reads:—A man whose height is between 5 ft. 7 in. and 5 ft. 8 in. should breathe in health 230 cubic inches; in first stage of consumption this is reduced to 154; in second, to 131; in third to 108 cubic inches.

To test the vital capacity, the patient loosens his vest, stands perfectly erect, takes as deep an inspiration as possible, and places mouth-piece of spirometer between his lips. The observer having opened the tap, patient empties his lungs, steadily making deepest possible expiration; at termination of which the operator turns off the tap, thus confining the air in receiver. The receiver is then to be lightly depressed until the surfaces of spirit in bent tube on outside of instrument are on a level with each other, when the vital capacity may be read off from scale.

**SPLENIC DISEASE.**—The spleen, like other glands, is liable to,—congestion, inflammation, softening, abscess, gangrene; tubercular, amyloid, and malignant disease; fibrinous deposits—remains, probably, of extravasated blood; serous and hydatid cysts; and simple enlargement, enlargement of spleen associated with leucocythemia.—More common among residents of tropical and marshy than of temperate climates.

*Enlargement of Spleen* ("Ague-cake") generally results from repeated attacks of intermittent fever. Sufferers from it have a peculiar sallow and unhealthy aspect; anæmic appearance of gums and buccal mucous membrane; tendency to hæmorrhage; dyspepsia; debility and loss of flesh. When result of ague,—aperients; bark or quinine; arsenic. In other forms,—steel; phosphorus; bromide of potassium; sulphate of zinc. Friction with diluted ointment of red iodide of mercury. Good nourishing food. Residence in a dry and bracing locality. Avoidance of mercury and depletion. Iodine, iodide of lead, nitric acid, ergot of rye, have been employed. Rusot (an extract prepared by natives of India from the *Berberis Lycium* and *Berberis Aristata*) has been strongly recommended. Extirpation of the spleen (Splenectomy) has been resorted to.

**STOMATITIS.**—From *στόμα*, a mouth; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the mouth. A common disease of young children. It may occur in three forms—*i.e.*, according as chief seat of morbid action is in mucous follicles of mouth, substance of gum, or in tissues of cheek.

**1. Follicular Stomatitis.**—Inflammation of mucous follicles of mouth may be idiopathic, or a sequela of one of the eruptive fevers.

**SYMPTOMS.** Difficulty of sucking. Abundant flow of saliva. Submaxillary glands tumid and tender. Restlessness, with fever. Loss of appetite. Diarrhœa with offensive motions. Small vesicles on inside of mouth, on tongue and fauces: vesicles burst and form ulcers, which are covered with dirty white or yellowish sloughs.

**TREATMENT.** Application, with a camel's hair pencil, of borax and glycerine, 250. Mild tonics. Carbonate of magnesia. Chlorate of potash. Attention to the milk supplied to child. Beef tea.

**2. Ulcerative Stomatitis.**—Synon. *Noma*, from *Νέμω*, to corrode.—Ulceration of the gums, sometimes destroying these parts and denuding the teeth. Occurs mostly in badly nourished children. May be erroneously attributed to use of mercury.

**SYMPTOMS.** Heat of mouth. Salivation. Offensive breath. Swelling of upper lip or cheek: enlargement and tenderness of submaxillary glands. Gums get swollen, red or violet coloured, and covered with a layer of pulpy greyish matter. If disease proceed, gums become destroyed by the ulceration: teeth are exposed and loosened. Inside of cheeks may be involved in irregular sloughing ulcerations.

**TREATMENT.** Chlorate of potash, gr. 5, may be given every four hours in sweet tea to an infant one year old. Subsequently, bark in

wine. Cod liver oil. Pure milk; that of the ass, goat, or cow. Solution of raw meat, 2. Beef tea, 6.

**3. Gangrenous Stomatitis.**—Synon. *Cancrum Oris*; *Sloughing Phagedæna of Mouth*.—A formidable disease. Occurs in weakly children, between second and fifth year.

**SYMPTOMS.** Debility. A hard indolent swelling on one cheek. On examining mouth, a whitish, or ash-coloured eschar is seen in centre of cheek: slough increases until it spreads over whole of inside of cheek, lips, and gums. Saliva copious: breath horribly fetid. Great constitutional disturbance. Pulmonary complications apt to occur. Frequently, death.—Often attributed to use of mercury: may occur where none has been given.

**TREATMENT.** Application of nitrate of silver, sometimes of strong nitric acid to slough. Frequent syringing of mouth with warm water: with solution of permanganate of potash, 78: with chlorinated soda gargle, 254. Chlorate of potash in bark. Wine, or brandy. Raw meat, 2. Milk: cream.

**STOMATORRHAGIA.**—From *στόμα*, a mouth; *ῥήγνυμι*, to break out. Synon. *Stomatorrhæa*; *Hæmorrhagia Oris*; *Buccal Hæmorrhage*.—Discharges of blood from mouth and throat seldom give trouble, except when they occur during last stage of scurvy or purpura, or after excessive use of mercury. In some instances, small veins about mouth and pharynx become varicose; should their walls rupture, severe or fatal bleeding may result. Ulcers about tongue seldom bleed much. Gangrenous glossitis has ended fatally with hæmorrhage.

**TREATMENT.** Ice. Cold astringent washes.—See *Hæmorrhage*.

**STROPHULUS.**—Synon. *Licheniasis Strophulus*; *Tooth-rash*; *Red Gum Rash*.—A papular skin disease, peculiar to infants and young children. Characterised by an eruption of minute, hard, sometimes slightly red, and clustered or scattered, pimples. May appear upon a part, or extend over whole surface of body. Irritation slight.

**VARIETIES.** Several described, according as papulæ are large or small, scattered or grouped. But whether papules are scattered, with red dots interspersed among them, as in *strophulus intertinctus*; or white and large, often resembling flea-bites, as in *strophulus candidus*; or forming circular patches, which come out successively in different parts of body, as in *strophulus volaticus*,—is of little moment. Practically, all forms due to stomach or intestinal derangement; the consequence of improper feeding, or of irritation about gums from dentition.

**TREATMENT.** Careful diet. Avoidance of acid milk. Mild ant-acid aperients. Syrup of iodide of iron. Syrup of phosphate of iron. Quinine. Weak glycerine lotions. Lancing gums, in strophulus connected with difficult dentition.

**STYES.**—A sty or hordeolum (from *Hordeum*, barley) is due to

inflammation and suppuration of a Meibomian follicle, forming small boils, of the size and firmness of a barleycorn, situated at the edge of the eyelid.

**TREATMENT.** Soothing applications: fomentation: rice or bread poultice at night till follicle bursts. When mature, pull out an eyelash in centre of swelling.

**SUDAMINA.**—From *Sudo*, to sweat. Synon. *Hydroata*; *Papulae Sudorales*; *Sweet Vesicles*.—Consist of crops of small transparent vesicles, which come out in many diseases attended with sweating. Later the vesicles dry up, and the skin is peculiarly rough and harsh. The skin looks as if dotted with small colourless glass beads. Most common on front of neck and chest. No treatment required.—See *Miliaria*.

**SUPRA-RENAL CAPSULAR DISEASE.**—Synon. *Morbus Addisonii*; *Supra-renal Melasma*.—An excessive degree of anæmia, with bronzing of the skin, supposed to be due to scrofulous disease of the supra-renal capsules, which found in caseous condition.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Commence very gradually: failing health and debility. Languor; loss of appetite; feeble pulse; irritability of stomach; progressive emaciation. Paroxysms of vomiting and gastric irritation; with faintness; indications of disturbed cerebral circulation. A gradual discoloration of skin; most marked on exposed parts, and on parts naturally pigmented—i.e., about face, neck, axillæ, back of hands, circumference of navel; gradually becoming of a dingy, bronzed or smoky hue. Dark patches often present, also on mucous membrane of mouth. The symptoms probably due to implication of solar plexus of sympathetic. The discoloration not produced by cancerous or inflammatory destruction of the capsules, and in caseous degeneration appears only when case has been of long duration.—After an average duration of eighteen months, death from extreme anæmia and exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Relief of prominent symptoms. Phosphorus. Ferruginous tonics, with good nourishing food, are useful for a time. Alcohol. Wine.

**Remedies sometimes employed:**—Bark. Arsenic. Iodide of potassium. Bromide of potassium. Strychnia. Blisters. Electricity. Actual cautery over region of capsules.

**SUSPENDED ANIMATION.**—Synon. *Asphyxia*; *Apnœa*; *Apnœo-asphyxia*.—May result from syncope; strangulation, and obstruction of larynx by foreign bodies; inhalation of chloroform, carbonic acid, or other poisonous gases; narcotic poison; a stroke of lightning; and drowning. In all forms, treatment resolves itself into allowing free ingress of pure air to lungs; and then inducing warmth and circulation.

**Appearances which indicate death:**—Complete cessation of breathing and heart's action; eyelids half-closed, and pupils dilated; jaws clenched; tongue appearing between teeth, with frothy mucus about

mouth and nostrils ; fingers semi-contracted ; with increasing coldness and pallor of surface.

**1. Drowning, or Suffocation.**—The following rules for *treatment* are essentially those drawn up by Dr. H. R. Silvester, and circulated by the Royal Humane Society :—

**RULE 1.**—*To maintain a Free Entrance of Air into the Windpipe.*—Cleanse the mouth and nostrils : open the mouth : draw forward patient's tongue, and keep it forward ; an elastic band over the tongue and under the chin will answer this purpose. Remove all tight clothing from about neck and chest. Make sure that no foreign body is lodged in pharynx, larynx, or œsophagus. The neck should be kept on the stretch, as this prevents closure of the larynx by the back of the tongue.

*To expel Water which may have entered the Respiratory Passages.*—Dr. Howard advises that the patient should be placed face downwards, his clothes rolled into a bundle under the lower part of chest ; the head, which will be hanging down, to be resting on the forearm : forcible pressure is then made with the knee on the back.

**RULE 2.**—*To adjust the Patient's Position.*—Place the patient on his back on a flat surface, inclined a little from the feet upwards ; raise and support the head and shoulders on a small firm cushion or folded article of dress placed under the shoulder-blades. Supposing that *natural respiration has ceased, proceed*—

**RULE 3.**—*To imitate the Movements of Breathing.*—Grasp patient's arms just above the elbows, and draw the arms gently and steadily upwards, until they meet above the head (this is for the purpose of elevating the ribs and thus expanding the chest and drawing air into the lungs) ; and keep the arms in that position for two seconds. Then turn down patient's arms, and press them gently and firmly for two seconds against sides of chest (this is with the object of pressing air out of the lungs. Pressure on the breast-bone will aid this). Repeat these measures alternately, deliberately, and perseveringly, fifteen times in a minute for two or three hours, or until a spontaneous effort to respire is perceived ; immediately upon which cease to imitate the movements of breathing, and proceed to *induce circulation and warmth*.

Artificial respiration may be performed by one person kneeling astride the patient ; in expiration he would bring the arms across the chest and make considerable pressure. A larger amount of air passes into and out of the chest when the chest is compressed and as much air as possible is expelled, the chest walls being then allowed to spring back, than when it is attempted to expand the chest by raising the arms.

Should a warm bath be procurable, the body may be placed in it up to the neck, continuing to imitate movements of breathing. Raise the body in twenty seconds in a sitting position, and dash cold water against chest and face, and pass ammonia under nose. Patient should not be kept in warm bath longer than five or six minutes.

**RULE 4.**—*To excite Inspiration.*—During employment of above

method excite nostrils with snuff, or smelling-salts or tickle throat with a feather. Rub chest and face briskly; dash cold and hot water alternately on them.

**RULE 5.**—*To induce Circulation and Warmth.*—Wrap patient in dry blankets and commence rubbing limbs upwards, firmly and energetically. Friction must be continued under blankets or over dry clothing.

Promote warmth of body by application of hot flannels, bottles or bladders of hot water, heated bricks, &c., to pit of stomach, armpits, between thighs and to soles of feet. Warm clothing may generally be obtained from bystanders.

On restoration of life, when power of swallowing has returned, a teaspoonful of warm water, small quantities of wine, warm brandy and water, or coffee, should be given. Patient should be kept in bed; disposition to sleep encouraged. During reaction, large mustard plasters to chest and below shoulders will greatly relieve distressed breathing.

**2. Intense Cold.**—Acts chiefly on nervous system. There is giddiness; inability to see; weakness and rigidity of limbs; almost imperceptible respiration and pulse; tendency to profound sleep; and coma.—Attempt restoration of circulation and sensibility by rubbing body with snow or ice or cold water. Then friction with flannel long-continued. Very gradual application of warmth. A stimulating enema,—unless warm milk, or coffee, or beef tea, or wine can be swallowed.

**3. Syncope.**—From *Συγκόπη*, to be affected with sudden prostration. Synon. *Swooning; Fainting.*—Remedies for fainting are:—Recumbent position with head low. Cold air. Cold water dashed over head and chest. Smart blows on chest with corner of a wet towel. Friction or sinapisms over heart's region. Small quantities of ammonia or brandy. Galvanism to rouse heart's action.—In apparently hopeless cases of syncope from hæmorrhage, a full dose of opium in brandy. Transfusion.

**4. Intoxication, or Narcotic Poisons.**—Treatment of:—Patient to be placed on his side, with head slightly raised. Cold affusion. Heat to extremities. Stimulating embrocations to chest. Use of stomach-pump, as emetics and tickling of fauces seldom act where insensibility is great. Artificial respiration. Galvanism. Strong tea or coffee. Solution of acetate of ammonia.

**SYPHILIPHOBIA.**—From *Syphilis*; and *φοβέω*, to dread. Synon. *Syphilomania; Noddle Pox.*—A morbid or hypochondriacal fear of syphilis, producing imaginary symptoms of the disease.

**SYMPTOMS.** Allied to those presented in fictitious cases of spermatorrhœa or impotence. Great mental suffering. Impairment of general health. Urgent desire for anti-syphilitic drugs.

**TREATMENT.** Some preparation of zinc with strychnia or nuxvomica, 407, 411. Iron, 380, 387, 408. Mineral acids, 376. Hypo-



phosphite of soda and bark, 419. Cod liver oil. Good diet. Cold or tepid baths. Sea air.

**SYPHILIS.**—Several derivations have been given of this word; but according to Dr. Mayne none seem better than that of Blancardus, —*Σύν*, together; *φιλέω*, to love. Synon. *Lues Venerea*; *Venereal Disease*; *Pox*.

**1. Primary Syphilis.**—Occurs as a specific ulcer or chancre, the ulcer appearing on the part to which the virus has been directly applied. There are four distinct varieties of sores:—

(1) **INDURATED, HUNTERIAN, INFECTING, OR TRUE CHANCRE.**—It is accompanied by the adhesive inflammation, and gives rise to a specific chronic enlargement of the inguinal glands. It is followed by constitutional symptoms. A period of incubation, varying from ten days to six or seven weeks, elapses from the time of inoculation to the appearance of the induration. The sore, usually single, is characterised by the margin and base being indurated from the effusion of lymph; while the secretion from it is scanty, and formed of serum, lymph globules, and epithelial débris. This secretion is not inoculable upon the infected party. A mercurial course is necessary.—See *Syphilization*.

(2) **SIMPLE, SOFT, NON-INDURATED CHANCRE.**—Accompanied by suppurative inflammation. It is a local disease, not followed by secondary symptoms. There are one or more sores, with well-defined, angry edges, looking as if portions of healthy tissue had been punched out. The secretion abundant and purulent; auto-inoculable. If seen within five days from inoculation, effective cauterization will destroy the sore and virus. Best caustics,—nitric acid, acid solution of nitrate of mercury, sulphuric acid paste, potassa fusa. In other cases astringent lotions. Ferruginous tonics. Nourishing food. Suppurating bubo common.

(3) **PHAGEDÆNIC CHANCRE.**—Accompanied by ulcerative inflammation. The ulcer is small, irritable, ragged, secreting unhealthy pus. The sore has a tendency to spread irregularly. A suppurating bubo forms, which yields inoculable pus. Fomentations and poultices, or soothing lotions. Lotion of tartrate of iron. Bark and nitric acid. Ferruginous tonics. Iodide of potassium and sarsaparilla. Nourishing diet, free from stimulants.

(4) **SLOUGHING CHANCRE, OR GANGRENOUS PHAGEDÆNA.**—Accompanied by mortification. It does not affect the inguinal glands, is not usually followed by constitutional infection, and requires only local treatment. A true syphilitic chancre may, however, take on a sloughing character. Sometimes the disease so severe that the prepuce and a portion of the glans may be destroyed. In enfeebled prostitutes the whole of the labia and nymphæ may slough away. Fomentations and poultices. Patient made to sit in hip-bath of water kept at temperature of body for twenty-four or forty-eight hours or longer. Opium. Nourishing food. Stimulants. Confinement to bed,

**2. Constitutional Syphilis.**—Result of indurated or infecting chancre. Many cases of chronic ill-health are due to it; while it is often the cause of obscure diseases of the vital organs, affections of the bones, rebellious ulcers of the cutaneous or mucous surfaces, troublesome skin diseases, impotence or sterility, abortion, and the death of the fœtus in utero.

**SYMPTOMS.** Divided into two classes, *secondary* and *tertiary*, which differ in character. In the beginning there is general disturbance of the system. Fever, mental depression, lassitude, pains in the limbs, sometimes night-sweats, and a sallow hue of skin. Shortly, unmistakable evidence afforded by early secondaries, a fugitive roseolar eruption on chest and abdomen not attended with itching, which leaves a yellow discoloration when the redness is removed by pressure; with this will usually be erythematous sore throat, enlargement of glands of back of neck, and perhaps loss of hair. The later secondary cutaneous eruptions may be papular or scaly, of coppery tint, sometimes pustular, and the sore throat is ulcerative. Mucous tubercles or patches on fauces, at commissures of lips, about vulva, scrotum, anus, &c., common at this period; also alopecia, loss of eyebrows and eyelashes; iritis; deafness, discoloration and crumbling nails, or inflammation and ulceration about their roots; superficial ulcerations on the tongue and lips.

The tertiary affections of the skin are rupia, ulcerations and gummy deposits; other tertiary symptoms are perforating ulcers of soft palate, destructive ulceration of pharynx, gummatous tumour and ulceration of tongue; ulceration of the larynx; diseases of the periosteum and bones, as nodes; pain about middle of sternum; and syphilitic diseases of the brain, spinal cord, lungs, heart, liver, kidneys, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Diet light and nutritious; fish, meat, milk, cream, raw eggs; claret or sherry and water. Warm clothing, flannel, and avoidance of cold and damp. Warm water or vapour baths. The system to be brought and kept for a long time under the influence of mercury by one of the following methods:—Blue pill. Calomel. Compound calomel pill. Mercury and chalk. Inunction with mercurial ointment; sixty or more grains every night. Mercurial vapour baths, 131. Solution of corrosive sublimate, given for many weeks, 27. Green iodide of mercury, 53. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Donovan's solution, 51. In tertiary stage: iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of sodium, 39. Iodide of iron, 32. Opium. Cod liver oil.—“*Derivative*” treatment as practised by Dr. Hjort:—Application to different parts of body, beginning between the scapulæ, of stibiate plasters (made with one part of powdered tartarated antimony and three of adhesive plaster, melted together,) the size of a visiting card. As soon as good pustules are produced, poultices. At same time, caustics to mucous tubercles, ulcers on fauces, &c.—The “*Zittmann*” *eliminative plan* consists of rest in bed in a warm room: a very moderate diet without stimulants: a mercurial purgative every second day: and the production of sweating by copious draughts of compound decoction of sarsaparilla. Subsequently, a course of tonics or of alkaline waters.

**3. Infantile Syphilis.**—May be hereditary or acquired. Infant usually born healthy-looking: but sometimes with its skin of a dull colour, and its features contracted—like a little old man.

**SYMPTOMS.** Generally within the month, symptoms of coryza set in; the “snuffles,” cough, difficulty in sucking, dryness of the lips and mouth. Voice shrill and hoarse. Superficial ulcerations about mouth and throat. Parts around the mouth, nostrils, buttocks, arms, and flexures of joints become copper-coloured, fissured, and excoriated. Child wastes and gets very weak. Amyloid disease of liver. Indurated nodules in lungs. Syphilitic iritis. Chronic interstitial keratitis. Deafness.—*In children with inherited syphilis:*—A peculiar physiognomy. Tendency to chronic interstitial keratitis. Notching of central upper incisors of permanent teeth, and pegged character of the lateral incisors (Hutchinson). Bony enlargement in frontal and parietal eminences.

**TREATMENT.** Mercurial inunction. Mercury and chalk. Iodide of potassium. Chlorate of potash. A healthy wet-nurse? Feeding by hand,—goats’, asses’, or cow’s milk.

**SYPHILIZATION.**—A term applied by Auzias Turenne to the condition produced by successive inoculations with syphilitic poison; in which each succeeding chancre becomes less and less, until a time arrives when no ulcer can be produced by insertion of venereal virus. Hence the inference has been drawn that, by repeated inoculation, a constitutional state is induced in which the system is no longer capable of being affected by syphilis.

Sperino inoculated with matter from a soft chancre for from 6 to 10 chancres at each sitting, allowing three or four days to elapse between each operation. By continued inoculation from the chancres thus produced the ulcers become less and less until no effect is produced; but the individual is still susceptible, though in a less degree, to matter taken from another source, again to a third, and so on until at last no effect is produced by any syphilitic poison. The general health instead of suffering, improves during process of inoculation. Time required to produce immunity varies: in one case it was obtained after 71 chancres; in most instances upwards of 300 were produced, treatment lasting for nine or twelve or twenty months and more. It may be practised at any age. To obtain a complete cure when patient has previously been mercurialized, the use of iodine has often to be combined with syphilization. Dr. Boeck asserted in 1858, that *in no disease has the practitioner a more certain method of cure*, but independent investigation does not bear out this statement. Disadvantages of the method,—its offensive nature, and the length of time necessary for effectually carrying it out: on the other hand, the immunity produced is thought to last for life.

**TABES DORSALIS.**—From *Tabeo*, to waste away; *dorsum*, the back. Synon. *Phthisis Dorsalis*; *Myelophthisis*.—A state of atrophy of posterior columns of spinal cord producing palsy.—See *Locomotor Ataxy*, under head of *Paralysis*.

**TABES MESENTERICA.**—From *Tabeo*, to melt away; *Μεσεντέριον*, the membrane which connects the intestines together,—*μέσος έντερον*. Synon. *Phthisis Mesaraica*; *Scrofula Mesenterica*; *Mesenteric Disease*; *Abdominal Phthisis*.—A tubercular degeneration of the mesenteric glands. Tubercle formed in the glands, destroying their structure, and obstructing the passage of chyle through the convoluted lacteals traversing them. Particularly affects infants and young children. Often combined with tubercular peritonitis and tubercular disease of intestinal mucous membrane.

**SYMPTOMS.** More or less constant pain in bowels: sometimes severe, causing legs to be drawn up towards belly. Deep red colour of lips: angles of mouth covered with small ulcers, or lips fissured. Irregular action of bowels: motions generally frequent, watery, unhealthy, and fetid. Abdomen swollen and tense: wasting of other parts of body until extreme emaciation ensues. Great pallor: general debility, weakness rapidly increasing. Recovery occasionally takes place, if disease be checked before functions of glands are much impeded. Symptoms of pulmonary consumption, or of tuberculation of bronchial glands, or of tubercular meningitis may supervene.

**TREATMENT.** Phosphate of iron ("Chemical Food"), 405. Hypophosphite of soda or lime, 419. Ammonia and bark. Cod liver oil, 389. Steel wine. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Ammonio-citrate of iron. Iodide of iron. Quinine. Iodide of ammonium. Iodide of potassium. Solution of chlorinated soda. Peroxide of hydrogen in weak solution. Glycerine. Taraxacum, bicarbonate of potash, and sarsaparilla. Mercury and chalk, with soda and magnesia, 34. Mercury and chalk with powder of ipecacuan and opium. Bichloride of mercury in small doses. Aromatic powder of chalk and opium. Bismuth. Logwood. Catechu and chalk mixture.—Mild nourishing food. Asses' or goats' milk. Milk and soda water. Milk and lime water. Cream. Raw eggs. Carrageen or Irish moss. Raw minced beef, 2.—Friction of abdomen with soap or opiate liniments. Linseed poultices. Wet compress. Warm, or tepid, salt water baths. Iron, or oak bark, baths, 126. Warm clothing. Flannel bandage round abdomen, night and day. Well-ventilated sleeping room. Sea air.—Margate, Broadstairs, Folkestone, Scarborough, Brighton, Hastings, Ventnor.

**TEMPERATURE OF BODY.**—The normal temperature at unexposed parts of surface is 98·4° Fahr. A persistent rise above 99·5°, and a continued depression below 97·3, are indicative of disease. The increase above 99° is the best index of amount of fever present.

Observations should be taken at least every morning and evening, always at the same hour throughout the whole illness. Pulse and respirations to be noted at same time. The bulb of thermometer to be placed under the tongue or applied to armpit, groin, or belly: to be kept in close contact with skin; to remain in situ at least three minutes. Were it not for obvious objections, the rectum would be the best situation,

There is a continuous elevation of temperature in most cases of progressive *tuberculosis* from the beginning; the temperature becoming normal when the disease becomes arrested.—A continued elevation occurs in all *acute inflammatory diseases*. In *rheumatism: empyema: suppuration: continued and eruptive fevers, &c.* During paroxysms of *ague*, from commencement of the rigor to the termination of the sweating stage.—A persistent temperature of 105° is indicative of danger, or of a tendency to some important complication, in *pneumonia, typhoid fever, typhus, small-pox, measles, scarlet fever, erysipelas, acute rheumatism, and ichoræmia*. In any case, a rise above 106° very unfavourable; above 110°, disease in all probability will be fatal. In *typhoid fever*, a sudden fall below normal heat has indicated the occurrence of hæmorrhage from ulcerated Peyer's patches, many hours before blood has appeared in the stools.—During *convalescence from acute disease*, a sudden rise in temperature may be the first indication of a relapse: an abnormal fall (as to 95°) shows a tendency to collapse, and indicates the need of hot applications, stimulants, warm soups, &c.

**TESTICULAR NEURALGIA.**—There may be merely increased sensibility of the testicle,—*irritable testis*. Or the pain will be most distressing, assuming the character of true *neuralgia*. No swelling or increase of heat: but only intolerance of least pressure, and retraction of gland close to the groin during the paroxysms. Either irritable testicle or neuralgia may arise from onanism, or excessive intercourse; disease at prostatic part of urethra; as a sequel of testitis; from gout; dyspepsia, with very acid urine; a calculus in kidney or ureter; varicocele, &c. The *remedies* are:—Belladonna, aconite, and opium locally applied; cold lotions or even ice bag; subcutaneous injections of morphia into scrotum. Quinine; iron; arsenic; valerianate of ammonia or zinc. When pain has been very acute, patients have demanded castration; compliance with such a wish perfectly unjustifiable, save in very exceptional instances. Where castration resorted to, the pain would return in the cord, unless due to actual disease of the gland.

**TESTICULAR TUMOURS.**—The testicle may be the seat of a fibrous transformation. Of fibro-plastic or myeloid growths; or of enchondromatous (cartilaginous) tumours. Non-malignant cysts of different kinds may form, by dilatation of the seminiferous tubules (*hydatid disease* of Sir Astley Cooper; *cystic sarcoma* of recent writers). Very rarely, malignant cystic disease has occurred. Scirrhus is less frequent than medullary cancer. Young children are occasionally affected with scirrhus, more often with encephaloid. Extirpation is the only remedy in all cases, where treatment is really necessary. In cystic sarcoma, a perfect cure may be hoped for by removal; in cases of carcinoma a recurrence is very much to be feared.

**TESTITIS.**—From *Testis*, a witness,—because the testicle is a

proof of virility; terminal *-itis*.—Inflammation of the testicle may be acute or chronic; or it may be specific,—syphilitic, or tubercular.

**1. Acute Testitis.**—Synon. *Hernia Humoralis*; *Orchitis*; *Orchiocele*; *Swelled Testicle*.—Generally due to extension of gonorrhœal inflammation from urethra; such inflammation having been often aggravated by strong injections, use of alcoholic drinks, active exercise, neglecting to wear a suspensory bandage, &c. The central portion or body of the gland may be affected; usually the epididymis and tunica vaginalis are attacked (*epididymitis*); or all these parts may suffer.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain and feeling of weight in cord and testicle. Uneasiness about the loin, groin, and upper part of thigh. Frequent micturition. Diminution of urethral discharge. Swelling of epididymis, which embraces and hides the testicle; scrotum firm and tense; swelling of cord; often fluid in *tunica vaginalis*. Great tenderness; pressure aggravates the pain. Febrile disturbance; nausea and vomiting; constipation. Abscess rarely forms. Very seldom the inflammation has ended in gangrene.

**TREATMENT.** Prior to setting in of swelling the disease may perhaps be checked by antimonial emetics, 231. Alkaline aperients,—Sulphate of soda and taraxacum, 144. Sulphate and carbonate of magnesia with colchicum, 141. Iodide of potassium, 31. Aconite, 330, 331. Opium, in doses sufficient to relieve pain. Rest in bed: scrotum to be supported by small pillows. Hot fomentations, with application of extracts of belladonna and poppies, 297. Pressure by means of strapping, or of strips of mercurial plaster, methodically applied: seldom to be used till towards the end of acute stage.

Puncture with a thin sharp knife into body of testis, so that by division of tunica albuginea the pressure on lobules and convoluted tubes may be removed; the incision allows a quantity of serum and a few drachms of blood to escape; there is immediate relief, the process seldom requiring repetition (Henry Smith). Puncture of the testicle, followed as soon as bleeding has ceased by tight compression with strapping: administration of one grain of opium (Spencer Watson).

**2. Chronic Testitis.**—Synon. *Sarcocele*, from Σάρξ, flesh; κήλη, a swelling.—Is either the sequel of an acute attack; or the inflammation may be subacute or chronic from commencement. May be due to stricture of urethra; to gleet; very frequently to tertiary syphilis.

**SYMPTOMS.** Morbid action usually begins in epididymis, and extends to body of testicle. There is swelling, hardness, and tenderness on pressure; a sense of weight. Sometimes, effusion of serum into tunica vaginalis—hydro-sarcocele. When due to constitutional syphilis (syphilitic sarcocele) there are often other manifestations of this state: pustular or scaly skin eruptions, rheumatic pains with nocturnal exacerbations, ulcers about tongue or throat, derangement of general health, and sometimes iritis.

**TREATMENT.** Removal of cause; examination of urethra for stric-

ture, &c. Avoidance of active exercise. Use of suspensory bandage. Pressure, firmly and evenly applied, by encircling the gland with strips of strapping or of mercurial plaster. Iodine liniment diluted. Red iodide of mercury ointment diluted, 302. Iodide of potassium, 31. Mercurial vapour baths, 131. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Corrosive sublimate with sarsaparilla, 27.

**3. Scrofulous Testicle. Abscess and Fungus of Testicle.**—Slow and subacute inflammation, with deposit of tubercular matter between the tubuli seminiferi, or into the epididymis.

**SYMPTOMS.** Formation gradually of a nodular swelling, without pain. Tumour seldom attains much size. Softening and suppuration; the swelling bursts, pus and tubercular matter coming away; sinuses form, and communicate with similar enlargements. The sores may put on a healthy character, or there may be a protrusion of tubular structure of the organ—fungus of testicle, which slowly increases. Tubercular disease of lungs often also present.

**TREATMENT.** Nourishing food: stimulants, milk, cream, raw eggs, beef solution, 2. Sea air. Cod liver oil. Ammonia and bark. Hypophosphites of soda or lime, and bark, 419. After evacuation of pus, pressure by strapping. Fungus to be returned and kept in place by strapping, after separating by dissection the thickened integument adherent to the margins of the wound, and then carefully bringing the edges together. Where the protruded part has become disorganized, it must be sliced off,—a proceeding equivalent to partial castration. Lotions of sulphate of zinc, 264; or iodine, 269. Where constitutional disturbance is great, removal of source of irritation by castration may be required.

**TETANUS.**—From *Tetw*, to bend or strain. Synon. *Rigor Nervorum*; *Spasm with Rigidity*.—A disease, the chief feature of which is long-continued contraction or spasm of certain muscles. Rigidity of muscles continuous, and hence spoken of as *tonic spasm* or *spastic contraction*; in contradistinction to *clonic spasms* of convulsions, where there are alternate contractions and relaxations. Cause: usually a wound, but especially exposure to cold after a wound.—Cases of *idiopathic*, more hopeful than of *traumatic*, tetanus. Symptoms very similar to those produced by poisonous dose of strychnia.

**SYMPTOMS.** Usually set in gradually: muscles of jaws and throat first affected. Patient complains that he has taken cold, and as if he had got a sore throat and stiff neck; but stiffness and uneasiness soon increase, and extend to the root of the tongue, causing difficulty in swallowing. Temporal and masseter muscles gradually get involved, so that jaw fixed and mouth firmly closed; *lock-jaw* or *trismus* (*Tpißw*, to gnash with the teeth). When disease proceeds, remaining muscles of face, trunk, and extremities become implicated. Angles of mouth drawn outwards and upwards (*risus sardonicus*); muscles of neck, back, abdomen, hard and tense, and from time to time violent contractions occur. Spasms never entirely cease except in some cases

during sleep: easily excited to violence by movement, sounds, bright light, or irritation of any kind, aggravated every quarter of an hour or so, increased cramp lasting for a few minutes and then partially subsiding.—Where strong muscles of back are most affected, they bend body into shape of an arch, so that patient rests upon head and heels, a condition known as *opisthotonos* (*Ὀπισθε*, backwards; *τελω*, to bend).—When body is bent forwards by strong contraction of the muscles of neck and abdomen, affection termed *emprosthotonos* (*Ἐμπροσθεν*, forwards, and *τελω*).—If muscles are affected laterally, so that body is curved sideways, the disease has been designated *pleurosthotonos* (*Πλευροθεν*, from the side, and *τελω*), or *tetanus lateralis*. The two last rare.

Frightful suffering caused by tetanic spasms. Face pale; brows contracted; skin covering forehead corrugated; eyes fixed and prominent—sometimes suffused with tears; nostrils dilated; corners of mouth drawn back, teeth exposed, and features fixed in a grin—*risus sardonius*. Respirations performed with difficulty and anguish; severe pain at sternum; great thirst, but agony increased by attempts at deglutition; pulse feeble and frequent; temperature raised; skin covered with perspiration; patient cannot sleep, or if he dozes it is only for a few minutes at a time. With all this suffering, intellect remains clear and unaffected. Death usually occurs between third and fifth days; partly from suffocation, partly from exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Perfect quiet: whatever interferes with this does harm by provoking spasm: no noise, light to be subdued. Medicinal treatment empirical and often useless. Full doses of calomel and jalap, until bowels are freely acted on. Inhalation of chloroform, more or less insensibility being kept up for many hours or even days. Inhalation of nitrite of amyl. Belladonna locally, and internally. Chloral. Quinine in full doses, with or without belladonna. Alcohol. Subcutaneous injections of liquor atropiæ, 314. Of Calabar bean, of solution of active principle of woorara—the alkaloid curarina. Nicotine (one-eighth of a drop to two drops for a dose, repeated at short intervals according to the effect). Powder of Calabar bean (one grain to six for a dose). Aconite. Conium. Sulphite of soda, magnesia or sulphurous acid, if disease be thought due to absorption of morbid matters, 48. Prolonged application of ice to spine.

Opium objectionable: said to produce a state of congestion and polar excitement of spinal cord; yet cases have recovered in India after repeated employment of opium smoking for many days. Blood-letting; blisters; cold, hot, and vapour baths; mercury; antimony; colchicum; large doses of assafetida: turpentine; digitalis; glonoin; nitrite of amyl; musk; iron; hydrocyanic acid; Indian hemp,—all have been fruitlessly employed.—See *Trismus Nascentium*.

**TETANY.**—This name was given by Trousseau to a tonic contraction of the muscles of the fore-arm causing partial flexion of the fingers and wrist, which is attended with pain and discomfort. The lower extremities are sometimes affected, when the foot will be arched.



It is most common in children and in women who are suffering from debility, and it may persist for a long time.

TREATMENT. Improve general health. Belladonna.

**THROMBOSIS.**—By this term (from *θρόμβος*, a clot of blood) is generally understood the partial or complete closure of a vessel by a clot caused by some morbid process developed at the site of the obstruction. The coagulum, which is usually fibrinous, is known as an *autochthonous clot* or *thrombus*.

Thrombi mostly met with in diseases attended with exhaustion. Particularly in croup, diphtheria, scarlatina, endocarditis, pneumonia, phthisis, typhus, purpura, erysipelas, hæmorrhage, &c. Their formation favoured by condition of blood during pregnancy and puerperal state.

TREATMENT. Variable according to the symptoms. Indications generally are to support the vital powers and allay irritability. Brandy. Rum. Essence of beef, 2, 3. Milk. Brandy and eggs, 17. Ammonia, 361, 371. Ammonia and iodide of potassium. Ether, 368. Quinine, 379. Bark. Opium, 316, 318, 340. Sulphite of magnesia, 48. Pure air. Perfect rest.

**THRUSH.**—A disease of the mouth occurring in infants. Synon. *Aphtha Infantum*; *Febris Aphthosa*; *Vesiculæ Gingivarum*; *Milk Thrush*.—See *Aphthæ of Mouth*.

**TIC DOULOUREUX.**—Severe attacks of neuralgic pain in nerves of face. Infra-orbital branches of fifth pair most frequent seat. Synon. *Neuralgia Faciei*; *Painful Tic*.—See *Neuralgia*.

**TINEA.**—From *Tinea*, any gnawing or destructive worm.—Applied generally to those cutaneous diseases which are due to presence of epiphytes or parasitic plants. All are contagious. Five varieties:—

1. **Tinea Tonsurans.**—From *Tondeo*, to shave,—because of the brittleness of the affected hairs. Synon. *Porrigo Scutulata*; *Scalped Head*; *Herpes Tonsurans*; *Herpes Circinatus*; *Trichosis Furfuracea*; *Ringworm*.—A chronic contagious disease, known by decolorization and brittleness of affected hairs, scaly eruption, and roundness of diseased patches. Most common on the scalp. The parasite is the *Tricophyton Tonsurans*; the sporules and mycelium of which infiltrate the texture of each hair, while they also spread among the epithelial scales.

TREATMENT.—See *Tinea Sycosis*.

2. **Tinea Favosa.**—From *Favus*, a honeycomb. Synon. *Favus*; *Tinea Lupinosa*; *Porrigo Favosa*; *Honeycomb Ringworm*.—Very rare. Most commonly affects the scalp, in form of small cup-shaped, dry, yellow crusts; each crust containing a hair in its centre, and resembling a piece of honeycomb. Attended with severe itching.

hairs become brittle and fall out: crusts have a mouldy offensive odour, and are often surrounded with lice. The cryptogamic parasitic cause is the *Achorion Schönleini*.

TREATMENT. See *Tinea Sycosis*.

3. *Tinea Decalvans*.—From *Decalvo*, to make bald. Synon. *Porrigio Decalvans*; *Alopecia Circumscripta*: *Alopecia Areata*.—The hair falls off one or more circular or oval spots; leaving perfectly smooth bald patches. The parasitic fungus is the *Microsporon Audouini*. The parasitic origin of this disease denied.

TREATMENT. See *Tinea Sycosis*.

4. *Tinea Sycosis*.—From *Συκώμα*, to become like a fig. Synon. *Roseola Ficosa*; *Sycosis*; *Mentagra*; *Chinwheik*; *Barber's Itch*.—Characterised by inflammation of the hair follicles; causing successive eruptions of small acuminate pustules, which have been said to have a granulated appearance resembling the substance of a fig. Occurs most frequently on chin, and other parts covered by the beard. The parasite is the *Microsporon Mentagrophytes*, which according to some observers is identical with the *Tricophyton Tonsurans*.

TREATMENT. Attention to cleanliness. Removal of hairs with scissors, or extraction by forceps—epilation. Separation of all scabs or incrustations by poultices and simple ointments or oil. Improvement of general health by generous diet; cod liver oil; bark, quinine, steel. Destruction of parasitic plant by sulphurous acid lotion, 272; creasote or carbolic acid, 270; corrosive sublimate, 271; a mixture of equal parts of calomel, creasote, and sulphur ointment; diluted citrine ointment, 305; ammoniated mercury and sulphur ointment, 300; or iodide of sulphur ointment, 310. In ringworm especially, sulphurous acid spray; or painting with blistering fluid or iodine liniment; or with strong acetic acid; or glacial acetic acid, washing the part directly afterwards. In *tinea decalvans*, frequent painting with liniment of cantharides.

5. *Tinea Versicolor*.—From *Versicolor* (*verso* and *color*) that changes its colour. Synon. *Chloasma*; *Pityriasis Versicolor*; *Macula Hepatica*; *Liver Spot*.—Makes its appearance generally on front of chest or abdomen, in form of yellowish patches covered with small branny scales. Caused by a cryptogamic plant,—the *Microsporon Furfur*.

TREATMENT. Sulphurous acid lotion, 272. Corrosive sublimate liniment, 271. Thorough cleanliness. Flannel vests to be soaked in boiling water. In obstinate cases,—arsenic, 52.

**TINNITUS AURIUM.**—A distressing noise in one or both ears—usually associated with deafness.

May be due to various affections of auditory apparatus; frequently without apparent disease of ear. Sometimes, apparently associated with functional derangement of liver, stomach, &c.

TREATMENT. Remove existing disease of ear, or Eustachian tube, or functional derangement.

Faradization and galvanization of muscles of tympanic cavity by means of conductor resting against membrana tympani.

**TONGUE DISEASES.**—The tongue is exposed to many sources of disease and injury. A highly sensitive organ: hence, slight diseases of its mucous membrane, or of its muscular fibres, are commonly very painful.

**1. Glossitis.**—From *Γλῶσσα*, the tongue; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Angina Lingualis*; *Inflammatio Linguae*.—Inflammation of the tongue a rare affection, now that mercury is seldom used so as to induce salivation. Generally an accompaniment of other diseases rather than an idiopathic affection.

**SYMPTOMS.** Fever. Constitutional disturbance. Debility. Anxiety. Pain, heat, and salivation. Colour deepened. Swelling sometimes so great that cavity of mouth cannot contain the organ, and it projects beyond the teeth. Swelling may set in rapidly: often produces urgent dyspnoea. Sometimes ends in suppuration.

**TREATMENT.** Castor oil, 164. Castor oil and turpentine enema, 190. Croton oil enema, 191. Chlorate of potash, 61. Application of ice. Pencilling with nitrate of silver. Free incisions along upper surface to relieve congestion, or evacuate pus. Tracheotomy, if suffocation threaten.

**2. Ulcers of Tongue.**—Several varieties: most forms very painful, and difficult to heal.

(1) Whole of upper part of tongue sometimes superficially ulcerated. Raw surface very tender. Severe, long-continued disorders of digestive organs are chief source of this form. May occur in any disease attended with great exhaustion. To be relieved by gargles of borax, 250. Nourishing food, such as can be digested. Tonics and stimulants. Pepsine, 420.—(2) Ulcers the result of simple inflammation are usually small, superficial, without definite shape, very sensitive. Seated about tip, or near frænum, rather than at sides. Mild diet. Simple aperients, 146, 155, 161, 169. Compound powder of rhubarb. Borax gargles, 250. Application of sulphate of copper. Extraction of carious stumps. Removal of tartar from teeth.—(3) Ulcers from pytalism easily distinguished by accompanying affections of gums, and fetor of breath. Most readily healed by chlorate of potash, 61. Sulphate of magnesia, 141. Sulphate of soda, 144, 148. Chlorinated soda gargle, 254. Alum and myrrh gargle, 252. Tannin gargle, 251.—(4) Superficial syphilitic ulcers generally attended with similar disease of lips, or other secondary symptoms. Appear at sides of tongue: very sore and intractable. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Mercurial inunction. Green iodide of mercury and conium, 53. Chlorate of potash, 61. Iodide of potassium, 31. Application of nitrate of silver, or sulphate of copper.—(5) Deep syphilitic ulcers generally commence as inelastic indurations or gummata, which slough in centre. Sores become deep and excavated: edges ragged and sloughy, or thickened and hard. Most common on upper and back

part of tongue. Generally accompanied by other tertiary symptoms. Iodide of potassium, 31. Corrosive sublimate gargle, 256. Nitric acid gargle.—(6) Remaining forms of ulceration are either strumous, tuberculous, or cancerous. Occur with other symptoms of these diseases. Require the treatment necessary for constitutional state. Cod liver oil generally useful.

**3. Cancer of Tongue.**—May be of Epithelial form: or a firm Scirrhus tumour: or Medullary. Of whichever kind, there is a tendency to speedy ulceration. A foul sloughy sore forms, with ragged everted edges and an indurated base.

**SYMPTOMS.** Severe pain. Profuse salivation. Cancerous cachexia. —Difficult articulation and deglutition. Attacks of hæmorrhage. Great swelling of whole organ. Sometimes sloughing. Cancerous deposits in sublingual and submaxillary glands: in surrounding tissues. Mouth may get almost filled with an extensive ulcerated fungus, threatening suffocation. Disease runs a rapid course. Death, generally from exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Morphia, 315, 343. Opium and belladonna, 344. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, atropine, or aconitine, 314. Gargle of citric acid (gr. 10 to fl. oz. j). Milk; cream; raw eggs. Essence of beef, 3.—To check hæmorrhage, application of powdered matico leaf; ice; lemon juice; saturated solution of perchloride of iron.—Removal of tongue, by knife, ligature, or écraseur. To diminish sensibility and salivation, division of gustatory nerve. Division of nerve, with ligature of corresponding lingual artery.

**4. Cracked Tongue, Tumours, &c.**—(1) *Cracked tongue* very troublesome. The clefts or fissures form an irregular series of grooves: they may be a couple of lines in depth. Render eating and speaking painful. Where this condition cannot be accounted for by any specific state of system, or by any derangement of alimentary organs, it may often be cured by application of borax and glycerine, 268. Iodide of potassium, with steel or sarsaparilla, 31, 32.—(2) Surface of tongue occasionally presents *patches of baldness*, i.e., one or more smooth, oval, glossy patches. No ulceration or fissure. Often coexists with psoriasis palmaris: may be indicative of a syphilitic taint. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Donovan's triple solution, 51.—(3) *Warts and condylomata* not uncommon diseases of mucous covering of tongue. The former require excision: the latter, anti-syphilitic remedies.—*Papillary patches* consist of large white or red tough, brawny, coarsely papillary, and perhaps fissured spots of thickened mucous and submucous tissue; have been called *psoriasis* and *ichthyosis* of tongue; are liable to terminate in cancer. They cause an unpleasant feeling; thickness of speech. Iodide of potassium, 31. Conium, 336.—(4) *Hypertrophy*, a rare affection of tongue. Sometimes congenital. Enlargement generally becomes so great that *mouth is too small*, consequently, a large portion of the organ is *constantly protruded*. In some instances, prolapsed part has reached

below the chin. Removal may be accomplished by knife, ligature, or *écraseur*.—(5) When *frænum linguæ* is shorter than usual, the individual is said to be *tongue-tied*. If movements of tongue be interfered with, the *frænum* is to be divided; the points of scissors being directed downwards to avoid *ranine* arteries.—(6) *Encysted* or *fatty tumours* form in tongue, or beneath it. May require extirpation.—*Firm tumours*, made up of fibrous and areolar tissue, sometimes grow from tongue. When pediculated they may be snipped off: if any artery be felt in stalk, *écraseur* to be used.—(7) *Ranula* (from *Rana*, a frog; because the voice is said to be croaking like a frog's) is a semi-transparent fluctuating swelling, perhaps as large as a walnut, situated under the tongue. It consists of a dilatation of Wharton's duct of submaxillary gland. A seton should be passed through cyst; or a portion of anterior wall excised.

**TONSILLITIS.**—From *Tonsilla*, the tonsil; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Cynanche Tonsillaris*; *Amygdalitis*; *Inflammatio Tonsillarum*; *Quinsy*; *Inflammatory Sore Throat*.—Inflammation of one or both tonsils, with fever.

**1. Acute Tonsillitis.**—Generally caused by cold and some peculiar condition of system. Liability to the inflammation increased, during youth, by repetitions of attacks.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Chilliness or rigors. Smart fever. Redness and swelling of fauces and tonsils. Pain and difficulty of deglutition. Return of liquids through nostrils on attempting to swallow. Pain along course of Eustachian tube.—May end in resolution in about four days; often goes on to suppuration.

**TREATMENT.** Aconite. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Citrate of magnesia, 169. Acetate, or citrate, of ammonia, 348, 349, 362. Carbonate of ammonia, 361, 364. Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine and nitric acid, 379. Belladonna. Guaiacum. Inhalation of steam of poppy water. Hot spray. Opiate gargles, 253. Linseed or hemlock poultices. Cold wet compress round throat, or ice bag. Belladonna and opium to outside of throat, 297.—If an abscess form, it is to be opened cautiously with a sharp-pointed bistoury, the cutting edge being directed towards mesial line of body: in event of hæmorrhage, a strong solution of perchloride of iron to be freely applied.

**2 Chronic Enlargement and Induration.**—May result from acute tonsillitis, or may come on gradually in strumous children and weakly young women. Enlargement often so great that fauces appear to be almost blocked up by meeting of the glands. Swelling sometimes so great as to cause dyspnœa. Thickness of speech. More or less deafness. Difficulty in swallowing. Impediment to full and deep inspirations. Sometimes concretions seen in openings of follicles.—Iodide of ammonium, 38. Cod liver oil. Iodide of mercury ointment externally. Injection of solution of iodine into glands. These remedies failing,—portions of the glands to be excised. Sometimes, entire gland can be shelled out with finger. Applications of nitrate of silver, tincture of iron, iodine, or potassa fusa have been recommended.

*Cancer of Tonsil* may occur as a secondary affection. As a primary disease it is almost unknown. Where suffocation threatens, the prominent part of the gland should be excised if the whole cannot be shelled out.

**TOOTHACHE.**—Synon. *Odontalgia*; *Odontodynia*; *Dentium Dolor*; *Gomphiasis*.

**1. Toothache from Caries.**—Synon. *Odontalgia Cariosa*; *Dental Gangrene*.—Softening and decay of dentine, causing great pain when central cavity of tooth is reached. May be due to original malformation of enamel and bone, to pregnancy, to use of mercury, to depraved secretions with dyspepsia, &c.

**TREATMENT.**—Removal by scraping of decayed portion, and then stopping with gold, gutta percha, or amalgam of silver and mercury. Temporary stoppings with cotton wool dipped in mastic varnish; cotton wool with creasote, &c. Extraction. Troublesome hæmorrhage after extraction may set in:—Remove clot from cavity, and sponge the latter dry with lint pushed into it; then plug with cotton wool soaked in a saturated solution of perchloride of iron, or of tannic acid, or of matico; and finally add a small compress of lint so as to keep up pressure when the jaws are closed. If necessary, tie up the lower jaw firmly against the upper, so as to maintain sufficient pressure. In caries of deciduous teeth extraction unnecessary, unless there be pain or frequent gum-boils.

**2. Toothache from Inflammation of Pulp.**—Synon. *Odontitis*; *Odontophlegmone*.—When the pulp has been bared, inflammation may be set up by irritation of food, cold, hot or cold fluids, &c. Sometimes follows stopping of a cavity.

**TREATMENT.** Aperients, 141, 144, 148, 153. Washing mouth with strong solution of bicarbonate of soda in hot water. Stopping tooth with cotton wool saturated with creasote, or chloroform, or oil of cloves, or tincture of aconite, or cajuput oil, or camphor in turpentine, or tannic acid in ether. A leech to gum. Chewing horseradish or ginger. Chewing pellitory (*pyrethrum*). Ginger poultice to face. Extraction. Drilling into pulp cavity (*rhizodontrypy*) after stopping.

**3. Toothache from Necrosis of Fangs.**—The crown and cervix may be healthy; and yet the fangs necrosed. The fangs of stumps get affected in same way. Abscess forms again and again. Instead of necrosis there may be thickening of fang from bony deposit. Even exposure of a fang from recession of the gum causes often severe pain.

**TREATMENT.** Extraction. Sensibility of a bared fang may be permanently relieved by painting with carbolic acid, or nitrate of silver.

**4. Toothache from Neuralgia.**—Synon. *Odontalgia Nervosa*; *Neuralgia Dentalis*.—Not uncommon in early months of pregnancy: in cases of disordered health, &c. Rheumatic toothache of same kind.

**TREATMENT.** Antacid aperients. Quinine. Ammoniated tincture of valerian and bark. Ammonia and sumbul. Colchicum. Aconite. Iodide of potassium. A leech to tender gum, or scarification. Ether spray to cheek. Removal of accumulated tartar (salivary salts—chiefly phosphate of lime).

**TORTICOLLIS.**—From *Torqueo*, to turn aside; *collum*, the neck. Synon. *Collum Obstipum*; *Cephaloloxia*; *Rheumatismus Cervicis*; *Stiff-Neck*.—See *Wry-Neck*.

**TOXÆMIA.**—From *Toxikón*, a poison; *αἷμα*, blood. Synon. *Toxicohæmia*; *Toxicæmia*.—A contaminated state of blood, from absorption of some deleterious matter,—as syphilitic virus, poison of small pox, typhus, &c.

**TRACHEITIS.**—From *Trachea*, the windpipe; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the trachea.—See *Croup*.

**TRICHIASIS.**—From *Θρίξ*, *τριχός*, the hair. Synon. *Morbis Pilaris*; *Trichiasis Ciliorum*; *Trichosis*; *Trichia*.—An irregular direction of one or more of the eyelashes. The cilia present their points towards the globe of the eye, producing chronic inflammation of the conjunctiva.

**TREATMENT.** Misdirected hairs to be drawn out singly, with broad-pointed and well-grooved forceps. Hair follicle to be destroyed by nitrate of silver; frequent dabbing with spirits of wine.

**TRICHINIASIS.**—From *Θρίξ*, *τριχός*, a hair,—owing to the hair-like form of the entozoon producing this disease. Synon. *Trichina Disease*; *Trichinosis*; *Flesh-Worm Disease*.—A peculiar febrile helminthic affection, attended with symptoms somewhat resembling those of typhoid fever.—The trichinæ in the larval stage are swallowed in imperfectly cooked pork or raw sausages; they rapidly complete their development, breed in the intestines, and the young trichinæ immediately after being hatched migrate from the bowel in all directions into the muscles. The constitutional symptoms are due to the disturbance excited by the arrival of the parasites in the muscles. Trichinæ may exist free in muscular tissue, or in more or less calcified cysts about  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an inch long and  $\frac{1}{16}$  of an inch broad. Young trichina, extracted from cyst, is disposed in two or two and a half coils: straightened out, it measures  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an inch in length, and  $\frac{1}{16}$  of an inch in diameter. Fully developed and sexually-mature male trichina measures  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an inch: female,  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch.

**SYMPTOMS.** Have been mistaken for those of typhoid fever. Vary in severity according as few or many worms have been swallowed, as well as in proportion to the number of progeny and extent of their migrations. Usually, loss of appetite, general malaise; followed by nausea, prostration, diarrhœa, and painful stiffness with swelling of muscles of arms and legs. Pain due to immigration of young trichinæ

into the muscles. High fever: œdematous swelling about face and eyelids. Frequent pulse. Copious offensive sweats. Diminished secretion of urine: excess of urates and uric acid, but never any albumen or sugar. Stiffness of limbs increases: muscles become painful, tender to touch, and greatly swollen. Movements of intercostal muscles in respiration attended with pain, preventing sleep. Hiccup, if diaphragm be invaded. Hoarseness and loss of voice, where laryngeal muscles get inhabited.—When a large quantity of trichinous meat has been eaten, patient may lie almost paralysed in state of great exhaustion. Facial œdema continues a week or ten days: its disappearance followed by swelling of feet and legs and trunk.—About commencement of fourth week, patient's condition very unfavourable. Pulse and respirations frequent: tongue dry and red: pain severe: sweating profuse: mouth can scarcely be opened: no sleep can be obtained: præcordial anxiety and delirium; death preceded by profound exhaustion. Complications sometimes prove fatal earlier,—pneumonia, pleurisy, peritonitis, dropsy, diarrhœa, &c. In favourable cases, symptoms gradually abate; return of appetite and power of digestion, diminution of muscular pain and swelling, lessening of anæmia: parasites have become encysted in the muscles.

**TREATMENT.** Very unsatisfactory. In earliest stage, emetics and purgatives. Calomel and jalap, 140. Calomel, as a purgative, in 20 gr. doses. Prussic acid, or laurel water. Quinine. Picrate of potash? Picric acid (formed by the mixture of carbolic acid and nitric acid)? Benzole? Oil of turpentine? Santonin? Tannin? Salts of copper? For relief of sleeplessness and sweating, wet-sheet packing, 136. Opium and digitalis, injurious.—Perfect quiet. Broths, gruel, milk, ice, soda water, brandy and egg mixture (17), restorative soup (3). Subsequently, during convalescence, large quantities of nourishing food, wine, &c. Ferruginous tonics.

**TRISMUS NASCENTIUM.**—From *Τρίτω* to gnash with the teeth: *Nāscor*, to be born. Popularly known as *Nine-day fits*.—A peculiar form of tetanus, which occurs in infants about second week after birth, and is very fatal. Rare in this country. Eighty years ago, when Dublin Lying-in Hospital was badly ventilated, it proved one of the most prominent causes of infantile mortality in that institution. Still common in West Indies, where it sometimes seems to rage as an epidemic.

When prevalent, great care necessary to guard newborn child from cold or foul air, improper feeding, imperfect cleansing, or from retention of meconium. Remains of umbilical cord to be properly managed, and not left to charge of an ignorant nurse. In dividing funis at birth, not more than two inches to be left attached to umbilicus. As curative remedies, warm baths, purgatives, and friction of spine with belladonna are the only measures likely to be serviceable.

**TUBERCULOSIS.**—From *Tuberculum*, dim. of *Tuber*, a knob or excrescence.



Microscopically, tubercles consist of small cells, embedded in a finely fibrillar or structureless matrix. "Giant cells," large irregular bodies with many nuclei, have been described as characteristic, but these are simply the result of imperfect differentiation. Tubercles mostly arise from proliferation of nuclei in walls of minute vessels, and interfere with circulation in them, causing destruction of tissue.

In guinea-pigs, rabbits, &c., insertion of tuberculous or caseous matter under the skin, or even a seton, gives rise to general tuberculosis, and in man general tuberculosis may usually be traced to infection of the blood by caseous material from an inflamed and disintegrated gland. Tubercular affections mostly arise in persons of scrofulous constitution, probably because of liability to caseous change.

The most common tubercular diseases are pulmonary consumption, tubercular meningitis or acute hydrocephalus, tubercular peritonitis, and *tabes mesenterica*. Precise nature of change in blood unknown; probably the aqueous part is increased in proportion to the solids, while the red corpuscles are especially diminished.

**SYMPTOMS.** The scrofulous constitution usually associated with dyspepsia, with difficulty in assimilating sugar and fat. Acid eructations, heartburn, flatulence. Paleness and sense of coldness of the body. Tumidity of the abdomen. Intellectual system well developed. Sanguine temperament. Puffiness of the face, with swelling of lips and nostrils. Purulent discharges from the ear. Vesicular eruptions about the head. Enlargement of tonsils, and glands of the neck. Disagreeable exhalations from skin, especially from feet and axillæ. Feebleness with rapidity of pulse. General debility. Progressive loss of weight. Susceptibility to attacks of simple fever. When formation of tubercles in progress, temperature usually raised. Signs of disease in the organ invaded.

May set in at any period of life. Liability to it greatest between three and fifteen, and between eighteen and forty.

Its development favoured by all conditions which render the blood unhealthy. Malformations of chest. Defective structure of lungs. Diseased nutrition. Sexual excesses.

**TREATMENT.** *To prevent its transmission:*—Well-assorted marriages to be obtained; great care to be taken of maternal health during pregnancy; attention to infant's food and clothing, as well as to the air it breathes. A strumous mother not to be allowed to suckle her child. Avoidance of ill-ventilated, badly drained, or damp houses.

*Curative treatment:*—Improvement of the faulty nutrition. The formation of healthy blood to be promoted. Special attention to diet, dress, exercise, repose, sexual intercourse, air to be breathed, functions of skin, and powers of the digestive organs.—See *Hydrocephalus*; *Phthisis*; *Tabes Mesenterica*, &c.

**TYMPANITES.**—From *Tympanum*, a tambourine or drum; because the belly, if struck, sounds like a drum when the bowels are distended with air. Synon. *Pneumosis Abdominis*; *Aërosis*; *Meteorism*; *Wind Dropsy*.—See *Flatulence*,

**TYPHLITIS.**—From *Τυφλός*, blind; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Typhloenteritis*. Inflammation of the Cæcum.—See *Cæcitis*.

**TYPHOID FEVER.**—From *Τύφος*, stupor; *εἶδος*, appearance. Literally, “like Typhus.”—Formerly described as *Abdominal Typhus*; *Febris Putrida*; *Gastro-bilious Fever*; *Febris Gastrica*; *Febris Mesenterica Maligna*; and *Night-soil Fever*. In the present day, its synonyms are,—*Enteric Fever*; *Pythogenic Fever*; and *Typhina*.—May be defined as an endemic, slightly infectious, or contagious fever; most prevalent in autumn: usually communicated through contamination of drinking water, by sewer gases or effluvia from drains, or by actual sewage containing typhoid stools, which are the chief vehicle of the poison. Milk has conveyed the disease, having been contaminated by impure water.—Attacks rich and poor indiscriminately; but is particularly a disease of early youth and adolescence.—It frequently has a duration of 30 days. In many cases it terminates on 21st or 28th day; and occasionally is followed by a relapse.

**SYMPTOMS.** Usually a period of incubation, varying from 10 to 14, or even 21 days: very rarely the symptoms come on immediately after exposure to the poison.—The disorder sets in slowly and insidiously, with languor. In a day or two, there are chills, headache, thirst, pains in limbs, weakness, with a tendency to diarrhœa and sickness, sometimes epistaxis. Restlessness; face languid and pale, or marked with a circumscribed flush on each cheek; urine diminished in quantity; pulse rises to 120 or higher; short cough, frequent and scattered sibilus to be heard over lungs; temperature rising day by day to 103° or 104° F.; highest in the evening, morning remission of about 2°; breath offensive, often ammoniacal; tongue at first white, with red edges, and tip later red and glazed, or dry and brown. Abdomen tumid; usually tenderness on right iliac fossa and sometimes gurgling; spleen large.—At commencement of second week, or a day or two earlier, the typhoid rash appears; rose-coloured spots on chest or abdomen; few in number; circular; disappearing on pressure; and fading away, to be replaced by a fresh crop. In 10 or 12 per cent. no rash.—After the middle of the second week, tympanites; gurgling in right iliac fossa on pressure; diarrhœa. Stools alkaline and of pea-soup appearance. Somnolence, delirium, tinnitus aurium, deafness, prostration, bedsores, &c. Attacks of hæmorrhage from the ulcerated patches in the ileum, and perforation of the bowel, with fatal peritonitis, to be feared. Congestion of kidneys. Cerebral or pulmonary complications.

Mortality about 1 in 5 or 6. A persistent temperature above 105° F., very unfavourable; above 110° a fatal result almost certain. Death usually due to exhaustion, from the protracted febrile condition or from diarrhœa; sometimes to pulmonary or cerebral complications, or to perforation of the bowel and peritonitis, or to hæmorrhage; occasionally to uræmia. In some cases the patient appears to be overwhelmed by the poison, and dies early with cerebral symptoms, delirium and coma.

Two lesions invariably present,—infiltration and subsequent ulceration of the agminated glands or Peyer's patches, and infiltration of the corresponding glands of the mesentery. During first week patches swollen, raised above surface of mucous membrane, firm; during second week ulceration of their individual follicles, which in the third week have coalesced to form one large ulcer. Spleen generally large.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic.*—Pure water. Good drainage. No old cesspool to be opened in an inhabited house. Patient's excreta to be passed into a bed-pan containing Condy's fluid or carbolic acid, 74.

*Curative.*—In most respects the same as for typhus. There are two or three exceptional points:—Avoidance of aperients. Astringents with opium, or, better, opiate enemata, to relieve intestinal irritation and diarrhoea, 96, 97, 100, 105, 106, 107, or 113. Cold or graduated bath or cold wet pack; patient put in bath at 65° or 70° for 15 minutes three times a day, afterwards placed in bed lightly covered. Or wrapped in sheet well wet with tepid water, over which a single thin blanket, whenever the temperature rises above 102°, till it falls to the normal point or till shivering sets in. When there is intestinal hæmorrhage ice bag over the right iliac fossa. Opium, ergot, turpentine. Should perforation occur opium in large doses; opium also to be given for peritonitis or tympanites.

Great care during convalescence, lest the cicatrizing ulcers in the ileum be irritated. Quinine. Liquid extract of yellow cinchona. Compound tincture of cinchona. Return to a generous diet to be very gradual: no solid food until all symptoms have vanished, and temperature normal for a week.

*Remedies which have been recommended:*—Creasote. Carbolic acid. Chlorine. Sulphurous acid. Sulphates.

**TYPHUS FEVER.** From *Τύφος*, smoke; an expression employed by Hippocrates to denote a lethargic disease, in which the patient is suddenly deprived of his senses, as if thunderstruck.—Prior to 1759 typhus was known as *Putrid, Pestilential, Malignant, Jail, Ship, or Hospital Fever.*—May be defined as,—a contagious infectious fever. Often prevails epidemically during seasons of general scarcity. The accompaniment of destitution and of overcrowded and ill-ventilated dwellings. Duration 14 days.

**SYMPTOMS.** A period of incubation, varying from one or two to twelve days. Then, rigor, headache, dry and heated skin; flushed face and heavy dull look; thirst; constipation; stupor; prostration, &c. Towards evening, irritability and restlessness; sleepless nights. The typhus rash appears about fifth day; consists of numerous, rather large, ill-defined spots of a dull red hue at first, disappearing on pressure, later forming mulberry stains which are not obliterated by pressure, generally very copious; seen on abdomen, chest and back, but especially over pectorals near axillæ; spots also generally present on back of wrists. Skin generally dusky, and besides rash often "subcuticular mottling." Rash remains permanent until end of

fever; may be accompanied by, or converted into, petechiæ; sometimes altogether absent.

During first week, deafness or noises in the ears; injected conjunctivæ; often constipation, never diarrhœa. Pulse, 80—100. Temperature, 104° or 105°, not varying as in typhoid. Brown dry tongue. Wakefulness; or patient sleeps, and afterwards believes he has not done so. Urine diminished in quantity; retention very common; sometimes albuminuria; occasionally complete suppression, with uræmia. In second week,—Great prostration. Muscular twitchings. Delirium. Coma, vigil. The danger may be increased by the super-vention of acute bronchitis, pleurisy, or pneumonia. Convalescence rapid; usually begins with crisis on 12th or 14th day. Sometimes a critical sleep, or sweat, or attack of diarrhœa, or greatly increased flow of urine.

When fatal, death usually occurs between 12th and 20th days. Mortality about 1 in every 5 attacked. The greater the age the greater the danger.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic*.—The poor to be supplied with wholesome food, and properly ventilated dwellings. Overcrowding to be prevented in sleeping-rooms, and lodging-houses. Every common lodging-house, hospital, workhouse, &c., to be thoroughly cleansed and lime-washed, once a year or oftener. Clothes and bedding of typhus patients to be disinfected, 74, 75. The patient to be kept scrupulously clean. Not to be taken to the hospital in an omnibus, or street cab. No room where a case has been to be reinhabited until purified with chlorine gas, whitewashed, or repapered, and had the fresh wind blowing through its open doors and windows for many days.

*Curative*.—Patient to be in a well-ventilated apartment; free from bed and window curtains, carpets, superfluous furniture; window to be open at the top. A disinfectant to be used; chloride of lime, 75; chloride of zinc, 79; iodine, 81. A fire to be kept up in the room. A form of quarantine to be maintained strictly.

Avoidance of active remedies, at first especially. No specific known for cutting short the disease: quinine fails, and is often injurious. An emetic of one ounce of ipecacuan wine, if case be seen very early. A purgative,—from 30 to 60 grains of compound rhubarb powder. One of the mineral acids, freely diluted, as a daily drink, 357, 358, 359; they are valuable as alteratives, if the blood contain an excess of ammonia. Sulphite of magnesia? Cold or tepid sponging. Wet-sheet packing, especially where there is sleeplessness, 136. Cold lotions to head. Cold affusion, when there is a tendency to coma. Warm bath, prolonged for 30 or 45 minutes, if there be great irritability. Milk diet; milk and beef tea alternately every 3 hours; cream; farinaceous food; thin broths; tea and coffee.

When the powers of life begin to fail, stimulants. Solution of phosphorus. Wine; gin; brandy; brandy and egg mixture, 17. *Stron*; beef or chicken tea. Administration of the nourishment frequently; every 30, 45, or 60 minutes. Alcohol to be used carefully when urine is scanty or albuminous. Yeast. Yeast and

strychnia. Opium to relieve restlessness. Patient to be kept strictly in recumbent posture. Water-bed. Catheter, if urine be retained.

*During Convalescence*:—Mineral acids and bark, 376. Quinine and steel, 380. A gradual return to solid food. Country air.

**URÆMIA.**—From *Urea*; *αῦμα*, blood.—Toxæmia from accumulation of urea in the blood, owing to its non-elimination by the kidneys. A mode of termination of any form of kidney disease. Probably two forms of poisoning, where urea decomposed into carbonate of ammonia "*ammoniæmia*," and where such decomposition does not occur. Many of the symptoms have also been attributed to the high arterial tension, which is almost always present, or to serous effusion and consequent anæmia of the brain and not to presence of a poison in the blood. Perhaps also a poison from incomplete metamorphosis of nitrogenized waste into urea.

**SYMPTOMS.** Disturbed action of either or both of the great nervous centres. Convulsions, which may set in abruptly with little warning, or may be preceded by great debility, impairment of vision, obstinate vomiting or diarrhœa, somnolence, delirium. Convulsions, followed by coma, but coma may come on gradually without convulsions, preceded however by some of above symptoms. In uræmic coma, the temperature generally low, there is often twitching of muscles, rarely stertor, and patient can commonly be roused at first; breath has urinous or ammoniacal odour. Albuminuria. Suppression of urine.

**TREATMENT.** Hot air or vapour bath. Blanket bath, 136. Wet sheet packing, 136. Acid sponging, 138. Saline aperients, 152. Jalap and senna, 145, 151. Elaterium, 157. Podophyllin, 160. Digitalis. Croton oil, 168, 191. Castor oil and turpentine enemata, 190. Benzoic acid, 49. Lemon juice. Vinegar. Steel. Arsenic. Sulphite of magnesia. Sulphurous acid. Chloroform vapour, 313. Stimulants. Tea. Venesection. Cupping over loins. Poultices of linseed and digitalis, or of fresh leaves of foxglove, to abdomen.

Dry cupping to nape of neck and loins. Ice to the head.

**URETHRITIS.**—From *Urethra* (*Οὐρῆν*, to urinate); terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the urethra may be acute or chronic, may arise in male or female, and may occur independently of gonorrhœa or syphilis.

**SYMPTOMS.** Sense of heat along urethra. More or less pain on urinating. Muco-purulent discharge. Irritability of bladder. Urine may contain an excess of uric acid; sometimes blood, pus, or ropy mucus. Lips of urethral orifice swollen. Constitutional disturbance. May cause retention of urine from spasmodic stricture.

**TREATMENT.** Hot hip baths. Fomentations and rest in bed, in acute cases. Unstimulating diet. Demulcent drinks. Opium. Belladonna. Copaiba. When chronic, astringent injections.

**URINARY CALCULI.**—From *Urina*, urine: *Calculus* (dimin. of *Calx*), a small stone. Synon, *Urolithi*.—These concretions are found

in kidneys, bladder, or follicles of prostate gland. Very rarely, one or more urinary salts become deposited in ureters, or in urethra: usually, calculi found in these situations have travelled there from kidneys or bladder. Calculous disease much more common in men than women.

**CHIEF VARIETIES.** Uric acid: Urate of Ammonia; Fusible calculus (Phosphate of Lime, with Phosphate of Magnesia and Ammonia); Mulberry calculus (Oxalate of Lime); Carbonate of Lime; and, very uncommon forms, Cystic and Xanthic Oxides. Pseudo-calculi of fibrin or blood coagula, or of urostealith (a resinous or fatty substance) are exceedingly rare.

Calculi may consist of only one substance, or of alternate layers of two or more salts—as of uric acid and oxalate of lime, &c.

Urinary concretions vary much in size. Occasionally, resemble grains of sand or of gravel up to size of small pea which pass with urine, often in very large numbers. Particles of gravel thus voided may be made up of aggregated crystals of urinary salts—microscopic calculi. In other instances, calculi are as large as a small orange. When a stone has formed in pelvis of kidney, it may, while of moderate size, enter ureter and gradually be forced onwards towards bladder. The suffering which takes place during transit very great; popularly known as “a fit of the gravel.” As soon as calculus reaches bladder, all pain is over for a time.

**SYMPTOMS OF CALCULUS RETAINED IN KIDNEY.** Almost constant backache. Bloody urine, especially after exertion. Pus and epithelium of pelvis and kidney, as well as blood-corpuscles seen under microscope. Reflex irritation of distant organs. Nervous irritability. Subsequently, impaired health, loss of flesh and strength. Foreign body gradually encroaches on true renal tissue: either converts the gland into a large cyst, or sets up suppurative inflammation. When large calculi are present in both kidneys, case ends in uræmic toxæmia.

**SYMPTOMS OF STONE IN BLADDER.** Severe attacks of pain in bladder, perineum, and at glans penis, always brought on, or aggravated, by exercise. Frequent micturition, sometimes incontinence of urine: with a feeling that bladder is not thoroughly emptied by the act of urinating. Urine often thick with ropy mucus: sometimes contains pus, or blood. Blood corpuscles and vesical epithelium under microscope. Act of micturition often suddenly stopped by stone being forced against neck of bladder: on making any movement, flow of urine returns. Tenesmus: prolapsus of rectum. Stone discovered by use of sound.

**TREATMENT OF RENAL CALCULUS.** Plain diet; nourishing food, milk, cream, raw eggs. Weak brandy or whisky and water. Free amount of aqueous drinks. Cod liver oil. Belladonna plasters to loins. Warm clothing: flannel or chamois leather jackets. In all forms of calculus the urine should be rendered copious and dilute *by drinking a large amount of liquid, and the passages flushed from time to time so as to hinder the precipitation of additions to the surface and to give a chance of its being washed away.*—In uric acid

diathesis: Vegetable diet: white fish. Avoidance of alcoholic drinks. Free use of simple diluents. Vichy or Carlsbad waters. Acetate of potash. Bicarbonate of potash. Solution of potash. Citrate of potash. —In *phosphatic* diathesis: Animal food. Wine; diluted spirits. Bark. Quinine. Phosphoric acid. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Steel. Opium. —In *oxaluria*:—Avoidance of garden rhubarb, sorrel salad, and sugar. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Tepid or cold bathing. Friction of skin. Warm clothing. Sea air. Attention to digestive organs. —*To relieve pain of any form of calculus passing down ureter*:—Hot bath. Chloroform or ether, inhalation of. Opium, in full doses. Morphia injections. Digitalis. Belladonna. Barley water, or any emollient diluent, with spirit of nitrous ether.—*For checking hæmorrhage*:—Quiet. Gallic acid, 103. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 101, 392. Iron alum, 116. Pill of lead and opium. *When pyelitis and abscess*:—operation for extraction of stone or removal of kidney.

TREATMENT OF VESICAL CALCULUS IN MALES. Opium and belladonna to allay pain. If stone be small, patient to allow urine to accumulate and then to discharge it forcibly in hot bath. Introduction of silver catheter with an open end, and washing out of bladder with warm water. Lithotriety. Lithotomy. Attempts at solution of calculus (Litholysis) by alkaline and saline mixtures in the case of uric acid calculi, and by acid solutions for oxalate of lime and phosphatic calculi, have hitherto failed. Injecting solvents into bladder, has not succeeded. Electricity has been employed for disintegrating calculi, but with very doubtful results. That success will ultimately follow attempts at litholysis can hardly be doubted.

TREATMENT OF VESICAL CALCULUS IN FEMALES. Four methods for removal of stone:—(1) Lithotriety: by far the best plan, as a general rule. (2) Dilatation of urethra by sponge tents, or a three-bladed expanding dilator, or by India rubber bags, which can be inflated after introduction. Patient to be under influence of chloroform. Apt to be followed by permanent incontinence of urine. (3) Incision of external urethral orifice, with stretching of canal by three-bladed dilator. May produce incurable incontinence. (4) Vaginal lithotomy: edges of incision into bladder being brought together by silver wire sutures, as in operation for vesico-vaginal fistula.

### URINARY DEPOSITS.—Two varieties,—Inorganic and Organic.

(1) *Inorganic Deposits*:—Uric, or lithic acid; amorphous or mixed urates, consisting of uric acid combined with several bases—ammonia, soda, potash, lime; urate of soda; urate of ammonia; hippuric acid; oxalate of lime; carbonate of lime; amorphous phosphate of lime, or bone-earth; crystallized phosphate of lime, or stellar phosphate; phosphate of ammonia and magnesia, or triple phosphate; cystine, or cystic oxide; xanthine, or xanthic oxide; leucine and tyrosine.

(2) *Organic Deposits*:—Epithelium from pelvis of kidney, ureter, bladder, urethra, and vagina; epithelium from uriniferous tubes, with casts of the tubes (as found associated with albuminuria), such casts or

moulds of uriniferous tubes being composed of epithelial cells imbedded in coagulable matter, or of an opaque granular matter, or of transparent waxy matter, or of waxy material studded with minute fatty particles, or of blood disks, or of pus corpuscles : molecular fatty matter, as in chylous urine ; oil globules, free, or enclosed in cells, or adherent to casts ; pus ; blood ; cancerous and tubercular matter ; spermatozoa ; and minute confervoid parasitic vegetations,—sarcinæ, yeast or sugar fungus (*Torula cerevisiæ*), mould fungus (*Penicillium glaucum*), and vibrones.

*Soluble substances found in morbid urine* :—Urea, in abnormal quantity ; albumen ; sugar ; biliary colouring matter ; and biliary acids.

**URTICARIA.**—From *Urtica*, a nettle. Synon. *Purpura Urticata* ; *Exanthema Urticatum* ; *Nettle-Rash*. — A non-contagious affection of the skin. One of the *Exanthemata*. Characterized by formation of prominent patches or wheals (pomphi), pale but with a red areola, which often appear and disappear suddenly : accompanied by heat, burning with tingling, and great itching. Sometimes constitutional disturbance : fever, coated tongue, unhealthy secretions. A chronic intermittent variety (*Urticaria evanida* of Willan), often very troublesome, lasting for months.

Urticaria generally due to derangement of digestive organs, which may be caused by use of shell-fish, mushrooms, cucumbers, cheese, pastry, bad milk, nuts, bitter almonds. Henbane, turpentine, nuxvomica, and balsam of copaiba may induce it. Sometimes connected with rheumatism or gout, uterine irritation, malaria, dentition, &c.

**TREATMENT.** Sulphate of magnesia in acid infusion of roses, 142. Rhubarb and magnesia, 165. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Ammonia and chiretta, 63. Bismuth, 65. Potash and ammonia, 67. Ammonia in effervescence, 362. Serpentry with carbonate of magnesia or bicarbonate of soda. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Steel and ammonia, 401. Steel and citrate of potash, 403. Pepsine, 420. Iodide of potassium and colchicum (in chronic form). Quinine, 379. Arsenic, 52. Cod liver oil. Sponging with vinegar and water : equal parts of tincture of arnica, glycerine, and rose water : equal parts of solution of subacetate of lead, laurel water, glycerine, and elder-flower water : solution of corrosive sublimate (gr. 5 to fl. oz. viij). Warm or tepid baths. Plain diet, especially avoiding all substances likely to disagree. Active exercise.

**UTERINE CANCER.**—From *Τοτέρα*, the womb : Cancer (*καρκίνος* a crab) a kind of ulcer. Synon. *Metro-carcinoma* ; *Carcinoma Uteri*.—Cancer of the womb most frequently met with under form of medullary ulceration of lips or vaginal portion of cervix. Very rarely, infiltration commences in mucous or muscular coat of body or fundus of womb.—Medullary cancer most common variety. Scirrhus seldom observed. Cauliflower excrescence, or epithelioma, not often met with. Uterine cancer most frequently after the 40th year.

**SYMPTOMS.** Abundant watery discharge, of a dirty pale-green colour, always offensive. Sudden attacks of hæmorrhage. Distressing



pain; at first most severe at night, afterwards always present. Nausea and vomiting; flatulence; irregular action of bowels; loathing for food. Painful mental depression. Daily increasing debility, and waste of tissues. Dingy sallow hue of countenance, and pinched anxious expression—cancerous facies.—Uterus found immovably fixed in pelvic cavity. Labia uteri indurated and nodulated at first; subsequently, excavated by an ulcer of a loose spongy character, seated on a hardened base, and surrounded by indurated tissue. Vagina soon gets involved: communications may form between vagina and bladder, or vagina and rectum. Death, in course of second year from commencement of symptoms, from exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** *General Remedies:*—Ammonia and bark, 371. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Citric acid and bark. Phosphoric acid and quinine, 379. Quinine and belladonna, 383. Zinc and conium, 413. Cod liver oil, 389. Nutritious diet: milk and cream, raw eggs, animal food. Light sparkling wines; sherry; brandy. Malt liquors usually increase dyspepsia. Avoidance of sexual intercourse.—*When stomach is irritable:*—Pepsine, 420. Nitro-hydrochloric and dilute stomachic acids, 378. Ammonia and ether, 364. Bismuth, 112. Ice. Cream of tartar drink, 356. Chlorate of potash drink, where there is soreness of mouth, 360. Castor oil. Confection of senna with taraxacum, 194. Simple enemata, 188. Belladonna liniment to epigastrium. Sinapisms. Hemlock poultices.—*For relief of pain:*—Henbane, camphor, and hop, 325. Opium and henbane, 343. Morphia, chloroform, and Indian hemp, 317. Subcutaneous injection of morphia, 314. Opiate enemata, or suppositories, 339, 340. Oxide of zinc and belladonna pessaries, 423. Use of a frigorific mixture of ice and salt to uterus, by a gutta percha speculum. Injection of carbonic acid gas: of chloroform vapour. Belladonna liniments or plasters to sacrum. Hemlock poultices to pubes and vulva.—*For control of hæmorrhage:*—Gallic and aromatic sulphuric acids, 103. Cinnamon, 104. Iron alum, 116. Lead and opium, with acetic acid, 117. Turpentine. Digitalis. Application of cold to vulva. Insertion of plug of wool, saturated with solution of perchloride of iron, into ulceration. Injection of solutions of alum and tannic acid, or of infusion of matico. Tannic acid pessaries, 423. Plugging with cotton wool.—*For removal of offensive odour in discharges:*—Cleanliness. Injections of solutions of chlorinated soda or lime; of creasote and water (fl. drm. j to fl. oz. xx); or solution of permanganate of potash and water (fl. drs. iv to fl. oz. xx); of chloride of zinc and water (gr. 20 to fl. oz. xx). Pessary of logwood and cocoa butter (gr. 30 of each). Iodoform pessaries, 423. Padding vulva with muslin bags of vegetable charcoal.

Operations by knife, écraseur, and ligature rarely useful, though entire organ with its appendages has been safely removed. Employment of powerful escharotics rarely to be recommended. Bromine, gastric juice, have been recommended. The treatment of cauliflower excrescence, in early stage, perhaps an exception to two foregoing rules.

**UTERINE DISPLACEMENTS.**—The uterus may be displaced in several ways, giving rise to much discomfort.

**1. Prolapsus and Procidencia.**—Terms employed to designate a descent of the womb as it exists in two different grades. By “Prolapsus” (*Prolabor*, to glide forward) is meant that condition in which uterus falls below its natural level in pelvic cavity. By “Procidencia” (*Procido*, to fall down) is signified the protrusion of uterus beyond vulva. Causes of both conditions the same. Suffering varies chiefly in degree.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Sense of fullness or pelvic weight. Bearing-down pains. Backache. Leucorrhœa. No impediment to menstruation; nor to conception, as uterus is generally easily replaced when patient is in bed. Irritation of bladder and rectum. In prolapsus, uterus found depressed, perhaps resting on upper floor of perineum. In procidencia, a round or pear-shaped tumour, with os uteri visible at its centre, seen projecting beyond vulva. Labia uteri often excoriated. Vaginal walls may be dry and harsh and cracked; perhaps, ulcerated.

**TREATMENT.** *General rules:*—Artificial support to be afforded to superincumbent abdominal viscera. Tone to be given to round and broad ligaments of uterus, to relaxed vaginal walls, to perineum. Removal of complications,—uterine congestion or hypertrophy, cough, constipation, &c.

*To effect reposition in procidencia:*—Patient to be placed on left side, with knees well flexed: greased uterus to be gently pushed up. Woman may rest on hands and knees, with head lower than pelvis, so as to remove superincumbent weight of intestines: womb to be then replaced. Uterus to be firmly encircled with strips of plaster for forty-eight hours, and patient kept quiet in bed: circumference of tumour being thus reduced, reposition usually effected with ease after removal of plaster. All plans failing, uterus has been removed by ligature applied around the neck of tumour formed by it.

*To support abdominal viscera:*—An abdominal belt of common jean. A pelvic belt, with a firm perineal band and pad,—a modification of the T-bandage.

*To give tone to tissues:*—Phosphoric or nitric acid, nux vomica, and bark, 376. Tincture of perchloride of iron, 380, 392, 397. Quinine and nux vomica, 387. Strychnia and steel, 408. Astringent vaginal injections, 425. Astringent pessaries, 423. Nitrate of silver to vaginal walls. Cold salt water hip baths. Nourishing diet.

*To support uterus:*—Oval or globular boxwood, vulcanized India rubber, vulcanite, tin, plated or gilt metal, or gum elastic pessaries. Ring pessaries. Hodge's lever pessaries. Pessary of watch-spring, covered with thread and solution of gutta serena. Zwanke's pessary. Removal by dissection of one or more longitudinal strips of vaginal mucous membrane, bringing edges of wound together with wire sutures. Paring the sides and posterior wall of lower part of vagina, and keeping raw surfaces in contact by quill-suture, so as partly to close vulval opening.

**2. Retroflexion and Antelexion.**—Retroflexion (*Retro*, backwards; *flecto*, to bend) consists of a bending backwards of uterus, at part where the neck joins the body; so that fundus is found between

cervix and rectum, os uteri being in normal position. Uterus becomes shaped like a retort.—In ante flexion (*Ante*, forwards; *flecto*), fundus rests on bladder.

**SYMPTOMS.** Almost absent when displacement is slight, uterine structures flabby, and pelvic cavity more than ordinarily capacious. Considerable suffering where angle of flexion is acute, uterine ligaments unduly stretched, circulation through uterus impeded, and fundus immovably pressed on rectum or bladder.

Dull wearying backache. Tenderness about groins and inside of thighs. Sense of fulness in rectum or bladder. Pain from sexual intercourse: fecundation prevented. Dysmenorrhœa. Nausea, loss of appetite, mental depression. Hysteria. Displacement recognised with certainty by use of uterine sound.

**TREATMENT.** Replacement by pushing fundus upwards, with or without assistance of uterine sound. Use of intra-uterine stem. Pessaries of belladonna and iodide of lead or mercurial ointment. 423. Dilatation of uterine cavity and cervix with sponge or sea-tangle tents (426), allowing uterus afterwards to contract in normal position upon a metallic stem. Horseshoe shaped vaginal pessaries. Division of os and cervix with hysterotome, so as to remove contraction of muscular tissue at point of flexion.

**3. Retroversion and Anteversion.**—In retroversion (*Retro*, backwards; *verto*, to turn), uterus lies almost transversely in uterine cavity; with fundus towards hollow of sacrum, and os uteri under pubic arch. The opposite condition, anteversion (*Ante*, forwards; *verto*) is characterised by fundus lying towards bladder, and os uteri in cavity of sacrum.

**SYMPTOMS.** Backache, bearing down. Leucorrhœa. Menstruation not interfered with: impregnation not absolutely prevented. In retroversion, pressure of labia uteri on urethra may cause retention of urine—a common result in pregnancy.

**TREATMENT.** Occasional replacement. Quinine, steel, and nuxvomica, 380. Mineral acids with strychnia, 378. Nourishing food. Injections of alum and sulphate of zinc, 425. Tannin pessaries, 423. Cold sea-water baths. Avoidance of over-exertion, straining at stool, &c. In displacement during pregnancy, reposition best effected with patient resting on hands and knees: chloroform may be required. Use of catheter.

**4. Inversion of Uterus.**—From *In*, in; *verto*, to turn. Synon. *Inversio Uteri*.—The uterus is literally turned inside out. Fundus descends through os uteri; mucous lining of cavity of womb becoming the external covering of tumour, which projects into vagina and generally through vulva. Usually happens directly after labour; but has followed the expulsion of a polypus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Severe nervous shock. Great depression and faintness. Bearing-down pain. Nausea and vomiting. Perhaps, hæmorrhage. Sometimes death from shock, especially if the labour has been difficult. Where the accident has not been detected at time of occur-

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rence, patients have gone on for months, or even years, suffering from bad health, anæmia, repeated attacks of hæmorrhage, sacral and pelvic pains, &c.

**TREATMENT.** When occurring directly after labour, placenta to be peeled off if it remain attached. Uterus to be firmly grasped, and steady pressure made in upward direction so as to reduce that portion first which has last descended: patient may be under influence of chloroform.—In chronic cases, attempts at replacement may have to be gently persevered with even for an hour or rather longer. Occasionally, the attempt has had to be repeated for many days in succession; pressure having been kept up during the intervals by a well-adapted air pessary. All plans failing, uterus has been removed by ligature.

**UTERINE HÆMORRHAGE.**—Synon. *Hæmorrhagia Uteri; Metrorrhagia; Flooding.*—Hæmorrhage from uterus at other than catamenial periods. Arises chiefly from:—Cancer of uterus. Fibroid tumours or polypi. Endometritis. Inflammatory diseases of the cervix. Congestion of the ovaries. Moles.

Often the precursor of abortion. In latter months of pregnancy, indicative of separation of the placenta; or of placenta prævia.

**TREATMENT.** See *Menorrhagia*.

**UTERINE TUMOUR.**—Synon. *Hysteroncus; Metroncus; Hystero-phyma; Metrophyma; Tumour Uteri.*—Of all organic diseases of uterus first manifesting themselves during period of sexual vigour, non-malignant tumours are the most common.

**1. Fibroid Tumours.**—Consist of outgrowths of uterine tissue. Are single or multiple. Sometimes attain an enormous size. May be developed in any part of uterus. Classified as sub-peritoneal or surface tumours, when just beneath peritoneum; interstitial or intra-mural tumours, when imbedded in uterine walls; and sub-mucous or intra-uterine tumours, when pressed into cavity of womb.

**SYMPTOMS.** Often neither important nor well-marked. When of sufficient size to encroach on pelvic viscera, or to be detected through abdominal wall, symptoms more prominent. Menstrual irregularities, —frequently menorrhagia. Dull, aching, throbbing pains. Sense of weight and bearing-down. Cramp or numbness in one or both thighs. Difficulty in voiding or in retaining urine. Constipation: hæmorrhoids. Enlargement and tenderness of breasts. Attacks of severe hæmorrhage in intra-uterine growths: occasionally, expulsive pains. Tumour detected on careful abdominal manipulation, and vaginal examination.

**TREATMENT.** In a large number of cases, the less fibroid tumours are interfered with the better. Great danger from attempting radical cure by enucleation, gouging growth and scooping away portions, or by abdominal section.—*Remedies recommended to produce absorption:*—Mercury; iodine; iodide of potassium; solution of potash. Bromide of potassium, 42. Bromide of ammonium, 37. Chloride of calcium, 35.—*For control of hæmorrhage:*—Corrosive sublimate, 27.

Gallic acid, 103. Rhatany. Ergot. Oxide of silver and Indian hemp, 47. Iron alum, 116. Bromide of potassium. Incision of os and cervix uteri. Incision into exposed part of tumour, where it can be easily reached from vagina.—*For relief of pressure on pelvic viscera*:—Gentle elevation of tumour into false pelvis. Iodide of lead and belladonna pessaries, 423.—*For cure of suffering due to congestion or œdema of growth*:—Bromide of potassium, 42. Kreuznach waters, 484.

**2. Polypus of Uterus.**—From Πολύς, many; πούς, a foot 'Υτέρα, the womb. Synon. *Metropolypus*; *Hysteropolypus*; *Polypus of the Womb*.—A tumour attached to inner surface of uterus by a pedicle or neck. May occupy uterine cavity, or be in vagina and merely attached to uterus by pedicle. Three varieties:—Fibroid, mucous or gelatinous, and placental.

**SYMPTOMS.** Profuse menstruation. Irregular attacks of uterine hæmorrhage,—often amounting to flooding. Profuse leucorrhœal discharge. Irritation of pelvic viscera from pressure. Spasmodic attacks of pain. Debility and loss of flesh, in proportion to amount of discharges. Tumour found on making vaginal examination: if it be in uterine cavity, easily detected after dilating os by sponge-tents.

**TREATMENT.** *If in vagina*:—Tumour to be removed by dividing pedicle with scissors or wire-rope écraseur. *If in utero*:—Os uteri to be fully dilated with sea-tangles or sponge-tents (426), and tumour subsequently removed by division of pedicle with wire-rope écraseur. Sometimes, can be taken away by torsion, when pedicle is slender.

**3. Cysts of Uterus.**—Unilocular cysts, or closed sacs, filled with mucus or serum, are occasionally developed in substance of uterus, or just beneath internal mucous lining, or under external serous covering. Sometimes, one part of uterus invaded by cystic growth, while another is the seat of an ordinary fibroid tumour. These cysts only give rise to inconvenience when they attain such a size as to admit of their detection. If within reach, they may be punctured: if pediculated and pressing into uterine cavity, they can be twisted off after dilating the os uteri with sponge-tents.

**UTERINE ULCERATION.**—From 'Υτέρα, the womb; *Ulcer*, to cause to ulcerate. Synon. *Hysterelcosis*; *Uteri Exulceratio*.—As a frequent result of congestion and inflammation of lower part of uterus, various forms of ulceration are found about the cervix:—

**1. Simple Abrasion.**—Synon. *Excoriation*, or *Erosion*, of *Labia Uteri*.—Epithelium removed from a part of one or both lips; exposed villi with their looped capillaries conveying a "velvety" feel to the touch. Extent of abrasion easily ascertained with speculum.

**SYMPTOMS.** Leucorrhœal discharge. Pelvic and sacral pains. Ovarian irritation. Indigestion: flatulence, with irregular action of bowels. Irregular menstruation. Depression of general health.

**TREATMENT.** *Locally*:—Alum or zinc injections, 425. Tepid or warm salt water hip baths. Iodide of lead and belladonna, or acetate

of lead and opium, pessaries, 423. Application of solid nitrate of silver. Undiluted solution of subacetate of lead. Glycerine. Collo-dium, 285. Mercurial ointment. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury. Potassa fusa. Scarification of labia, or application of three or four leeches where there is congestion.

*Generally*:—Animal food: milk. Claret, sherry, champagne, or brandy and water,—in place of malt liquors. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Salicin, 388. Quinine, 379. Pepsine, 420. Rhubarb and ipecacuanha, 179. Oxide of silver, 47. Arsenic and bark, 52. Iodide of potassium, 31. Cod liver oil. Moderate exercise in open air.

**2. Ulceration of Labia Uteri.**—Uterine lips not only more or less deprived of dense epithelium, but the villi with their vascular loops destroyed in patches. Sometimes, proper tissue of uterus involved.

**SYMPTOMS.** Thick muco-purulent discharge. Pelvic pains. Back-ache. Menorrhagia. Anæmia: headache, neuralgia, dirty sallow hue of skin, irregular action of bowels, loss of appetite, &c. Debility: mental depression. Pains increased by walking or sitting upright. Reflex irritation of breasts, bladder, and rectum.

**TREATMENT.** Same as for simple abrasion. Warm water or astringent injections night and morning. Tonics. Nourishing food: stimulants. Relief to reflex irritation by iodide of lead and belladonna pessaries, 423. Avoidance of sexual intercourse.

**3. Syphilitic Affections.**—*Primary syphilitic sores* very rare. Chancre may be situated on labia, within canal of cervix, or on outside and upper part of cervix.—*Secondary syphilitic affections of uterus* not uncommon. Chief symptoms,—Hypertrophy and induration of vaginal portion of cervix. Abundant muco-purulent discharge from uterus and vagina. Patches of abrasion, or of ulceration, on labia uteri. Menstrual irregularities,—often menorrhagia. Evidence of disease in distant parts,—loss of hair, sore throat, cutaneous eruptions, nodes, &c. Treatment the same as for syphilis generally.

**4. Rodent Ulcer.**—Synon. *Corroding Ulcer.*—A severe disease, which has been confounded with epithelial cancer. Very rare before age of thirty: usually commences about “change of life.”

**SYMPTOMS.** Ulceration begins gradually and extends slowly. As it eats away affected tissue, complaint made of pelvic heat and discomfort; thin serous discharge, occasionally streaked with blood. Debility, pallor, indigestion. Subsequently,—burning pains; attacks of hæmorrhage. On examination, an irregularly-shaped ulcer found, with ragged or indurated edges: sore excavated, presenting a dry and glossy or a pulpy surface. Uterus not fixed, as in cancer. Sometimes, whole of cervix destroyed. Disease eats its way into body of uterus; so that entire muscular structure gets destroyed, unless death first occur from hæmorrhage or peritonitis or exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Excision, if disease be limited to cervix: otherwise, *actual cautery*, or potential caustics. Sedative vaginal injections,

425. Opium and belladonna pessaries, 423. Arsenic, 52. Cod liver oil. Tonics. Narcotics. Nourishing food.

**VACCINIA.**—From *Vacca*, a cow. Synon. *Variola Vaccina*; *Exanthema Antivariolosum*; *Vacciola*; *Inoculated Cow-Pox*.—A disease produced by inoculation with the virus of cow-pox, such disease affording protection against the contagion of small-pox. Included by Willan in the *Vesicular* order of skin diseases.—See *Cow-Pox*.

**VAGINAL OCCLUSION.**—From *Vagina*, a sheath or scabbard.—Independently of cases where, from arrest of development, vagina is entirely absent, or is considerably malformed, examples of occlusion can be arranged under one of three heads:—

(1) Those where there is a morbidly tough and persistent hymen. If the membrane cannot be ruptured with finger, it must be divided; reunion being prevented by use of oiled lint. (2) Where the hymen is hypertrophied and imperforate, so as completely to close vaginal canal from urethra to fourchette, preventing escape of menstrual fluid. A longitudinal or crucial incision to be made through obstructing membrane. Under such conditions, operation attended with considerable danger: fatal peritonitis, endometritis, or pyæmia not uncommon. And (3) cases of imperforate vagina; whether due to congenital adhesions between opposite walls, to stricture in consequence of inflammation, or to cicatrices consequent on injury. A careful dissection often required to make canal patulous.

**VAGINAL PROLAPSUS.**—From *Vagina*, a sheath: *Prolabor*, to fall, or slip out. Synon. *Hysteroptosis Vaginæ*; *Colpoptosis*; *Elytroptosis*.—A descent, more or less complete, of the vagina.

**SYMPTOMS.** Protrusion of the vagina usually accompanied by prolapsus uteri, though it may occur alone. If entire circumference of vaginal mucous membrane be prolapsed, a projecting tumour is found at vulva. Surface may be inflamed and excoriated. Bladder rendered irritable: often emptied with difficulty.

Cases of partial more common than of complete prolapsus. When anterior wall is alone affected, posterior wall of bladder is drawn down—*Vaginal cystocele*. The posterior wall of vagina and anterior wall of rectum may be protruded—*Vaginal rectocele*. In the one case, urine is apt to accumulate in pouch formed by bladder; in the other, a pocket forms, in which hard fecal masses are retained, causing constipation and sense of weight.

**TREATMENT.** *Generally*:—Nourishing food. Rest. Avoidance of straining, and of lifting heavy weights. Quinine, steel, and strychnia, 380. Phosphoric acid, nux vomica, and bark, 376. Phosphate of zinc and steel, or bark, 414. Sulphate of zinc and nux vomica, 409. Colocynth, or aloes, and nux vomica, 175. Olive oil enemata, 188. Castor oil and turpentine enemata, 190.—*Locally*:—Cold salt water hip baths. Alum and zinc injections, 425. Tannin and catechu pessaries, 423. Boxwood, or india-rubber pessaries. Diminution

of vaginal capacity, by dissecting off one or more strips of mucous membrane, and bringing edges together with interrupted suture.

**VAGINAL TUMOUR.**—These growths may consist of :—

*Polypus of vagina.* Very rare. Produces leucorrhœa, bearing-down, irritability of bladder, &c. May be cured by excision. If any vessel be felt pulsating in pedicle, a ligature should be applied, and tumour snipped off just below it.

*Fibrous tumours.* Sometimes found imbedded in submucous tissue of vaginal wall. Seldom troublesome: may perhaps cause hæmorrhage. Growth can be shelled out with fingers or handle of scalpel, after division of mucous membrane covering it.

*Mucous follicular cysts.* May be superficial; formed by dilated follicle, excretory orifice of which has closed. Deep-seated cysts produced by accumulation of contents of interstitial or closed follicles. Either form to be cured by puncture, and application of nitrate of silver to inner walls.

**VAGINISMUS.**—From *Vagina*, a sheath; terminal *-ismus*.—An involuntary spasmodic closure of the sphincter muscle of the vagina, with such excessive supersensitiveness of the surrounding tissues as to form a complete barrier to coition (Marion Sims).

May exist as a simple or complicated state. In the first case, no local structural change. Excessive tenderness of vaginal orifice, and of hymen or its remains. Slightest touch causes great agony. In second form, in addition to supersensitiveness, inflammation of follicles about vulva; or fissure of fourchette; or hyperæsthesia of entire vaginal mucous lining; or some uterine displacement; or a contracted state of os uteri and cervical canal.—In either form, essential remedy consists in removal of hymen, incision of vaginal orifice, and subsequent dilatation with graduated bougies.

**VAGINITIS.**—From *Vagina*, a sheath; terminal *-itis*. Inflammation of the vagina may be acute or chronic :—

1. **Acute Vaginitis.**—Synon. *Elytritis*; *Colpitis*.—Not very common. Morbid action not always limited to mucous membrane: tissues beneath sometimes involved, causing distressing suffering. Arises from violence; pressure of foetal head in lingering labour; want of cleanliness with depression of vital powers, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain and sense of heat in vagina. Itching about vulva. Irritability of bladder. At first, mucous membrane dry and swollen: secretion of mucus checked. Then, creamy mucus, or much purulent matter, or pus is poured out: pain diminishes. Backache; pains about hips and upper part of thighs; sense of weight or bearing-down; smarting and tenderness. Disease runs its course in seven or eight days, or subsides into chronic form.—If submucous tissues be involved, there may be rigors, fever, headache, rapid pulse, severe throbbing pains. Suppuration: abscess bursts into vagina, or pus burrows, making its way to perineum on both sides of labia.



**TREATMENT.** Hot hip baths. Vaginal injections of warm water. Pessaries of oxide of zinc and belladonna, or of acetate of lead and opium, 423. Confinement to bed or sofa. Castor oil. Cubebs. Fish diet: eggs, milk, tea, demulcent drinks.—*If suppuration occur*:—Ammonia and bark, 371. Quinine with mineral acids, 379. Opium or morphia, 343. Opium and belladonna, 344. Fomentations or linseed poultices to vulva. Abscesses to be opened if they point.

**2. Chronic Vaginitis.**—Synon. *Catarrhus Genitalium*; *Blennorrhæa Genitalium*; *The Whites*: *Vaginal Leucorrhæa* (Λευκὸς, white; πέω, to flow). One of the most common diseases to which women (particularly the married) are liable.

**SYMPTOMS.** Constant or frequent leucorrhœal discharge—"the whites." Backache; sense of weariness after slight exertion. Loss of appetite; indigestion; flatulence and constipation. Mental depression.—Exfoliation of epithelial covering of mucous membrane may occur; comes away in flakes, or in masses forming complete casts of vagina.

**TREATMENT.** Mineral acids and bark, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Mineral acid and quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Phosphate of iron, 405. Gallic acid. Colchicum. Cod liver oil. Pepsine.—Cold salt water hip baths. Astringent injections, 425. Tannic acid, or sulphate of zinc, or acetate of lead pessaries, 423. Brushing vaginal walls with solution of nitrate of silver, or solution of carbolic acid in glycerine (gr. 10 to fl. oz. j).

**VARICELLA.**—The dim. of *Variola* (*Varius*, spotted). Synon. *Variola Spuria*; *Pseudovariolæ*.—The mildest of the eruptive fevers. Often classed with the *Vesicular* skin diseases.—See *Chicken-Pox*.

**VARICOCELE.**—From *Varix*, a dilated vein; κήλη, a tumour. Synon. *Oscheocele Varicosa*; *Spermatocele*; *Cirsocele* (from Κίρσος, a varix; κήλη).—A varicose condition of the veins of the spermatic cord may arise from any cause which retards upward flow of blood,—as tumours, trusses, constipation, corpulence, frequent straining in erect posture, &c. Spermatic veins on left side most frequently affected, owing to their greater length, and greater liability to pressure from a distended colon.

**SYMPTOMS.** Swelling; pyriform with base on testis. Veins can be rolled under fingers, like worms in a bag. Weight, and aching about groin and loin. Uneasiness or pain about scrotum. Neuralgia of testicle, sometimes atrophy. Mental depression.

**TREATMENT.** *Palliative*:—A regular action of bowels to be ensured by attention to diet, mild aperients. Improvement of general health: mineral acids, nux vomica, &c. Bathing scrotum with salt water night and morning. Firm support with a suspensory bandage. Invagination of loose skin of scrotum through a padded steel ring. *Radical cure*:—Obliteration of the veins. To be accomplished either by a spring truss; or by passing ligatures of silver or iron wire subcutaneously, so as only to divide the veins; or by passing a bare-hip.

pin underneath the veins, and then twisting a figure-of-8 suture over it, or by arresting circulation at two points by means of hare-lip pins, and dividing veins between them, or by Douglas's vein-brooch, or by Ricord's ligature and bridge. None of these proceedings free from risk.

**VARIOLA.**—From *Varius*, spotted. Synon. *Pestis Variolosa*; *Small-Pox*.—A very contagious eruptive fever; the frequency and severity of which have been greatly diminished by the discovery of vaccination. Included by Willan in the *Pustular* order of skin diseases.—See *Small-Pox*.

**VASCULAR TUMOURS OF URETHRAL ORIFICE.**—Synon. *Urethral Hæmorrhoids*.—Not uncommon in females: very rarely, vascular tumours have been found at orifice of male urethra.

In women, external orifice of meatus urinarius is the most frequent seat of vascular tumour. Excrescence varies in size from that of a pin's head to that of a date-stone. Exquisitely sensitive, often causing irritability of bladder with pain on passing water. To be cured by excision and subsequent application of actual cautery to submucous base. Or a ligature may be applied, passing a tenaculum through base and tying tightly round it. Chloroform usually necessary for either operation. Patient to be in position for lithotomy. Chromic acid as escharotic said to be effectual. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury, or potassa fusa, sometimes employed. Nitrate of silver worse than useless.

**VENEREAL DISEASE.**—From *Venus*, the Goddess of Love. A term generally applied to those disorders which result from impure connexion.—See *Gonorrhœa*; *Syphilis*, &c.

**VERRUCE.**—From *Verruca*, a wart. Synon. *Ecphyma Verruca*; *Vegetations*; *Warts*.—Consist of collections of hypertrophied cutaneous papillæ; each papilla being separate and merely covered with thin cuticle, or a bundle of papillæ being bound together by an excess of dry and hard scaly epithelium.

**TREATMENT.** Excision. Nitrate of silver. Glacial acetic acid. Acid solution of nitrate of mercury. Creasote. Carbolic acid. Savin. Chromic acid, 196. Tincture of perchloride of iron.

**VERTIGO.**—From *Verto*, to turn round. Synon. *Circumgyratio*; *Giddiness*; *Swimming of the head*.—A transitory sense of giddiness, of whirling round, or of falling. Surrounding objects appear to be in motion: sufferer loses his balance for a moment or two, and is in danger of falling unless he can grasp some object. Usually followed by headache: occasionally, by nausea.

Often a symptom of incipient disease of brain. May be due to disease of ear (see *Ménière's disease*). Sometimes betokens general weakness; or a poison in blood, as opium or tobacco or alcohol; or some cardiac, hepatic, renal, gastric, or intestinal affection. Any disturbance of

cerebral circulation will induce giddiness. In mild form of epilepsy, giddiness, and a fit of absence (epileptic vertigo) are prominent symptoms. Swimming in head, a forerunner of apoplexy and paralysis. Paroxysmal attacks not uncommon in the aged, either without obvious cause, or from disease of coats of cerebral arteries, or from passive venous congestion.

Tonic and antispasmodic remedies more frequently called for than those of a lowering nature. Chalybeates when there is anæmia. Purgatives, spare diet, blisters behind ears, out-door exercise if there be evidence of active arterial congestion. Small doses of corrosive sublimate in simple vertigo of old people.

**VESICAL INFLAMMATION.**—From *Vesica*, the urinary bladder: *Inflammo*, to inflame. Synon. *Cystitis*; *Cystophlogia*; *Inflammatio Vesicæ*.—Inflammation of the bladder may be acute or chronic:—

**1. Acute Cystitis.**—From *Κύστις*, a bladder; terminal *-itis*.—A severe disease which may arise idiopathically; or may supervene on chronic inflammation, irritation of a calculus, external injury, disease of pelvic viscera, &c. Mucous lining of neck and base of bladder more frequently attacked than all the coats.

**SYMPTOMS.** Shivering. Pain over bladder. Heat of urethra: constant desire to pass urine, which comes away in small quantities. High fever. Nausea. Constitutional disturbance: mental depression. Bladder can perhaps be felt as a small rounded tender tumour. Severe pain, extending to perineum and down thighs: increased by abdominal pressure, rectal or vaginal examination. Tenesmus.—Unless resolution occur,—unbearable pain. Constant calls to micturate; urine expelled in drops; or retention. Urine becomes fetid and alkaline: contains shreds of fibrin entangling pus and blood corpuscles. Great prostration. Cold clammy sweats. Low muttering delirium. Fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Opium. Opium and belladonna, 344. Aconite. Hot hip baths. Fomentations. Linseed or hemlock poultices. Castor oil. Mucilaginous fluids. Catheterism. Wine, brandy, cream, raw eggs, essence of beef, &c., as soon as indications of exhaustion commence. Injection into bladder of one or two grains of morphia in an ounce of water.

**2. Chronic Cystitis.**—Synon. *Cystirrhœa*; *Cystorrhœa*; *Blenorrhœa Urinalis*; *Tenesmus Vesicæ Mucosus*; *Catarrhus Vesicæ*.—This form of inflammation common. Sometimes follows an acute attack: more frequently due to gout, retention of decomposing urine, irritation of urine charged with saline diuretics, foreign substances in bladder, or to extension of inflammation from rectum or uterus, &c.

**SYMPTOMS.** Often slight. Feeling of indisposition. Increased sensibility of bladder walls. Frequent micturition. Urine scanty, with perhaps a small quantity of mucus or pus: sometimes loaded with viscid ropy mucus.

**TREATMENT.** Catheterism, unless bladder can be thoroughly emptied at will. Washing out bladder with warm water; or with

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solutions of benbane, morphia, opium, or some astringent. Opium and belladonna suppository, 340. Oxide of zinc and belladonna vaginal pessaries, 423. Belladonna plaster to sacrum. Benzoate of ammonia, 40. Infusion of bearberry (*infusum uvæ ursi*). Infusion of buchu. Decoction of pareira. Decoction of couch-grass. Cubeba, in small doses. Demulcent drinks: barley water, infusion of linseed, &c. Animal food: milk or cream: raw eggs. Alcoholic stimulants.

**VESICAL IRRITABILITY.**—From *Vesica*, the urinary bladder. Synon. *Impatients Vesicæ*; *Cysterethismus*.—Irritability of the bladder is said to exist when there is an unnaturally frequent desire to pass urine. May arise from organic disease of kidneys, bladder, prostate gland, or urethra: vascular tumour of female urethra; pressure of enlarged or displaced uterus; irritation of hæmorrhoids, or intestinal worms; presence of a tumour or calculus in bladder; or simply from some irritating constituents in the urine or functional derangement of kidneys, bladder, stomach, or nervous system.

**SYMPTOMS.** Desire to micturate comes on suddenly and frequently: urine may have to be passed every fifteen or thirty minutes. Inability to resist desire: if attempted, uneasiness or aching pain. Total amount of urine seldom increased in quantity. Bladder diminishes in size. General health suffers from the annoying irritation.

Urine always to be examined. If preternaturally acid or alkaline; if loaded with urates, phosphates, or oxalates; or if it contain pus, albumen, sugar, or any other morbid material,—disease must be traced to its origin.

**TREATMENT.** Dilute nitro-hydrochloric acid, belladonna, and pareira, 378. Solution of potash and buchu, 69. Ferruginous tonics. Decoction of couch-grass and triticum repens (oz. 1 of underground stem to water fl. oz. xx). Opiate or belladonna suppositories, 340. Oxide of zinc and belladonna pessaries (for women), 423. Tincture of cantharides. Tincture of benzoin. Infusion of bearberry. Colchicum. Cod liver oil.—Warm or tepid salt water baths. Local application of carbonic acid gas. Avoidance of stimulants. Substitution of cocoa for tea and coffee. Mucilaginous diluents.—See *Enuresis*.

**VESICAL PARALYSIS.**—From *Vesica*, the urinary bladder. Synon. *Cystoparalysis*; *Cystoplegia*; *Acystinervia*.—The muscular coat of bladder may become paralysed from some influence confined to this viscus; disease of nervous centres, inflammation of brain, paraplegia, &c., inducing simultaneous loss of power in other organs; typhus or other fever, or from constitutional debility. Liable to occur in the course of any acute disease in advanced life, when unless discovered and treated at once it is a serious complication.

**SYMPTOMS.** Unlike the rectum, the bladder retains its contents when paralysed. When distension becomes great, urine dribbles away by urethra: hence, incontinence of urine often an indication of retention. Enlargement in hypogastrium and bladder felt above *symphysis pubis*. Urine loaded with mucus: alkaline: offensive

ammoniacal odour. Pain at neck of bladder: as distension gets great, the walls lose their sensibility. Severe constitutional disturbance. Frequently, death from coma or exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Use of catheter: bladder to be slowly but thoroughly emptied. Tepid or cold water injections. Ergot of rye. Strychnia or nux vomica. Arnica. Aloetic purgatives. Hip baths. Galvanism, cold douche, or blisters to lower part of spine.

When disease of nervous centres exists, symptoms can only be relieved as they arise.—See *Enuresis*.

**VESICAL SPASM.**—From *Vesica*, the urinary bladder. Synon. *Cystospasmus*; *Ischuria Spasmodica*.—Spasmodic attacks of pain in bladder. May arise from vesical calculus or tumour; diseases of rectum and uterus; abscess of kidney; ulceration or other organic disease of bladder, prostate gland, &c.; abnormally acid urine; excessive venery; hysteria; or from use of irritating diuretics—cantharides, oil of juniper, savin.

**SYMPTOMS.**—Severe pain at lower part of abdomen, extending to urethra. Involuntary micturition: sometimes retention of urine with urgent desire to micturate. Tenesmus,—When of long continuance, death has resulted with symptoms of suppression of urine.

**TREATMENT.** *Relief of spasm*:—Hot baths. Hemlock poultice. Poppy-head fomentations. Linseed poultice with camphor to perineum. Opium and belladonna suppository, 340. Ether and opium draughts, 85. Mucilaginous drinks.

*Removal of cause*:—Colchicum. Quinine. Citrate of potash. Regulation of diet: avoidance of stimulants, tea, and coffee. Warm clothing. Avoidance of violent exercise or sexual intercourse. Appropriate remedies for renal abscess, calculi, &c.

**VESICAL TUMOURS.**—From *Vesica*, the urinary bladder,—The growths which may be developed on the walls of the bladder are:—Warty or polypoid fibrous bodies; villous or vascular growths; and malignant tumours.

**SYMPTOMS.** Whatever the nature of the tumour, the symptoms resemble those caused by a calculus. Frequent micturition. A painful sense of inability to empty bladder. Urine may be bloody, or purulent, or ammoniacal and loaded with mucus.

Malignant more common than innocent growths. Medullary cancer, or epithelioma, more frequent than scirrhus. Cancerous deposit generally primary; but may result from extension of disease from rectum, prostate, uterus, or vagina. Suffering very great. Urine bloody: perhaps cancer-cells may be found.

**TREATMENT.** Relief of prominent symptoms. Narcotics, to ease pain. Astringents, to check hæmorrhage. Nutritious food.

Polypoid fibrous, and pendulous villous growths, have been removed by ligature from female bladder, owing to ease with which urethra can be dilated.

**VILLOUS CANCER.**—From *Villus*, shaggy hair.—A variety of medullary and perhaps of epithelial cancer, occurring most frequently

on mucous membrane of urinary bladder. The histories coincide with those of medullary cancers.—See *Cancer*.

**VITILIGO.**—From *Vitulus*, a calf; terminal *-igo*.—A rare disease, said to produce a glistening veal-like appearance of skin.—Two varieties:—*Vitiligoidea plana* and *V. tuberosa*, which may occur separately or combined. In former, irregular yellow patches are observed, slightly elevated and hard; in latter, isolated or confluent tubercles, ranging from the size of a pin's head to that of a large pea; generally symmetrical; upper eyelids a favourite seat. Possibly there may be some connection between this skin disease and derangement of the liver.

Vitiligo sometimes confused by authors with lepral alphoides, or with lupus non-exedens. Other writers seem to regard the appearances as merely due to a diminution of pigment, without any change of texture; making it of same nature as leucoderma. No remedy for it at present known.

**VOMITING AND RETCHING.**—Synon. *Emesis*; *Sickness of the Stomach*; *Spewing*.—Vomiting (from *Vomo*) is due to forcible and repeated contractions of abdominal muscles, the diaphragm being fixed by closure of the glottis; the stomach is thus compressed against the diaphragm, and by this force, together with its own contraction, the pylorus being closed and the cardiac sphincter relaxed, the gastric contents are expelled upwards. In retching there are fruitless attempts to empty the stomach, the cardiac sphincter being contracted; or the stomach is empty.

Sickness arises in many diseases—i.e., cerebral, spinal, pulmonary, renal, biliary, pancreatic, gastric, intestinal, or uterine and ovarian disorders. It may be due to sympathetic irritation of pregnancy; to hysteria; to irritation of pneumogastric nerve. To ingestion of poisonous or irritating substances: drunkenness. To blood-poisoning, as in ichoræmia: continued and eruptive fevers, especially at their onset. To acute or chronic peritonitis, particularly if gastric peritoneum be involved; or to the pressure of the fluid in ascites. To intestinal obstruction from ileus, intussusception, strangulated hernia, &c. Or it may occur as an idiopathic affection,—no other morbid state being discoverable.

**SYMPTOMS.** Vary with the cause. Some prominent distinctions are shown in following table:—

*Gastric or Hepatic Vomiting.*

1. Preceded by nausea, which is relieved, at all events, temporarily, by the discharge of the stomach's contents.
2. Vomit consists of partially digested food, biliary matters, and offensive secretions. Sometimes acid water; pus; blood.

*Cerebral or Sympathetic Vomiting.*

1. Little or no nausea. Retching continues, often in spite of stomach being empty. Directly any fluid or solid is taken, it is rejected.
2. Vomit consists of unaltered food. Of frothy mucus. Never pus or blood. Sometimes a considerable quantity, sometimes only a tinge of bile.

*Gastric or Hepatic Vomiting.*

3. Loss of appetite, or even a disgust for food.

4. Tongue coated; breath foul; conjunctivæ often yellowish; headache secondary in point of time.

5. Headache: chiefly frontal, perhaps not severe on right side, seldom lasting more than twenty-four hours, and often relieved by vomiting.

6. Gripping abdominal pain; fetid eructations; diarrhœa; unhealthy watery stools.

7. Retching; increased salivation; more or less abdominal tenderness; faintness or exhaustion.

8. Frequently an increase of vomiting at 4 to 6 A.M., especially hepatic disease.

*Cerebral or Sympathetic Vomiting.*

3. Appetite remains. Frequently a desire for food immediately after vomiting.

4. Tongue clean; breath pure; conjunctivæ colourless or only injected; headache primary.

5. Headache severe; chiefly over vertex and occiput. May be constant for days. May be altogether absent.

6. No eructations of foul air. Generally, obstinate constipation; or stools solid and healthy.

7. Stomach emptied without effort; no increase of saliva; no abdominal tenderness; little or no fatigue or faintness after vomiting.

8. Perhaps, the most severe attacks are experienced on first rising or changing position.

**TREATMENT.** *General remedies:*—Attention to diet: bland simple nourishment in very small quantities at a time. Cold water; ice to suck; cherry water ices; milk and water; milk and soda water; gruel; milk arrowroot; water arrowroot with small quantities of brandy; beef tea; veal, chicken, or mutton broth; white fish; weak iced brandy and water; champagne; sparkling Moselle or Hock; light Hungarian wines. Nutrient enemata, 21, 23. Aperient enemata, 188, 189, 190. Calomel in purgative doses (grs. 5 to 10). Calomel, blue pill, or mercury with chalk, as alteratives. Taraxacum, 227, 228. Seidlitz powders, 169. Podophyllum, 160. Carbonate of magnesia. Tartaric or citric acid. White bismuth, 65. Charcoal biscuits. Coffee. Carbonic acid. Citrate of ammonia, potash, or soda in effervescence, 348, 362, 403. Dilute hydrocyanic acid, 70, 86, 377. Laurel leaf water (aqua laurocerasi, min. x to xxx). Dilute nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Sulphurous acid. Creasote, 41, 90. Carbolic acid. Rectified pyroxylic spirit (spiritus pyroxylicus rectificatus, min. v to xl). Carbonate of ammonia. Aromatic spirit of ammonia. Infusion or tincture of calumba. Cinnamon. Spirit of chloroform. Three or four drops of chloroform on a lump of sugar. Spirit of ether. Nitrate of silver. Sulphate of copper. Oxide of silver, 47. Salicin, 388. Sulphite of soda, 43. Small doses of ipecacuanha wine (one or two minims frequently). Opium. Belladonna. Pepsine, 420.

*Locally:*—Sinapisms over epigastrium. Turpentine stupes. Blisters. Seton. Issues. Hemlock poultices. Linseed poultices. Wet compress, 136. Belladonna, opium, warm galbanum, pitch, or chalybeate plaster. Chloroform on lint. Ether spray. Extracts of belladonna and poppies, 297. Dry cupping. Leeches.

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*Sympathetic vomiting, in pregnancy, uterine or ovarian disease, &c.*—Ice to suck freely. Soda water. Champagne: sparkling Hock or Moselle. Pepsine, 420. Tincture of iodine in small doses. Bromide of potassium. Strong coffee before rising in the morning. Infusion of cloves. Lemon juice. Oxalate of cerium (gr. 3 to 5 in powder or pill). Drop doses of ipecacuanha wine every four hours. Rectified pyroxylic spirit. White bismuth. Laurel water. Effervescing draughts with calumba, cascarilla, &c. Setons, issues, sinapisms, stimulating liniments, turpentine stupes, or repeated flying blisters to epigastrium. Dilatation of cervix uteri. Leeches to os uteri, if there be congestion: nitrate of silver, if there be excoriation or ulceration. Vaginal pessaries of iodide of lead and belladonna, 423. In very severe cases, the induction of premature labour. Subcutaneous injection of morphia.

*Hysterical vomiting*.—Sumbul, 369. Nux vomica, or strychnia, 387, 407, 408. Assafetida, 89, 190. Valerian, 87, 363, 411. Shower baths. Dry cupping over stomach and margins of lower ribs.

*Sea-sickness*.—Recumbent posture. Ammonia. Brandy. Whisky. Chloroform by inhalation, or a few drops on sugar. Inhalation of nitrite of amyl. Chloral, bromide of potassium. Oxalate of cerium. Subcutaneous injection of morphia. Tight belt round the body. Chapman's ice bags to spine.

See *Gastritis*; *Gastric Ulcer*; *Gastric Cancer*; *Cholera*; *Hæmatemesis*; *Obstruction of Bowels*, &c.

**VULVAL CANCER.**—From *Vulva*, a covering,—or perhaps as if *Valvæ*, folding doors. Any part of external genitals, or of vaginal walls, may become the seat of malignant disease. Occurs primarily, or secondarily. Epithelial cancer more common than other forms. Relief may be given by excision, where disease is confined to external labia.—See *Cancer*.

**VULVAL CORRODING ULCER.**—Synon. *Vulval Esthiomenos* ('Εσθλω, to corrode or eat away).—An inveterate and progressive ulceration of external genitals. Probably of same nature as Rodent ulcer.

**SYMPTOMS.** An intractable ulceration, which commences on some part of external genitals, and gradually creeps over vulvo-anal region: surrounding structures have a tendency to become hypertrophied. As ulcer heals in one direction, it extends in another: process of repair accompanied by formation of a firm burn-like cicatrix, which has a tendency to cause contraction of vaginal or anal orifice. Suffering very slight for several months: until vaginal orifice becomes fissured by it, or mouth of urethra gets involved, there is no pain during sexual intercourse or micturition. For a long time, general health not affected; menstruation occurs regularly; neither loss of strength nor flesh. But unless a cure be effected, profuse discharge ultimately proves very weakening; appetite fails; dyspepsia; attacks of colliquative diarrhoea; sometimes, hæmorrhage.

Death seldom occurs until after lapse of eight or ten years. May



be due to peritonitis; erysipelas; stricture of rectum; hæmorrhage; or fatal exhaustion.

**TREATMENT.** Thorough excision; with extirpation of any tubercular excrescences, if present. Use of tents or bougies, as parts heal, to prevent undue contraction of vaginal and anal orifices. Efficacy of potential caustics very doubtful. Nourishing food. Cod liver oil. Daily hip baths. Anodyne lotions.

If there be any suspicion of syphilitic taint,—Iodide of potassium, 31. Green iodide of mercury, 53. Red iodide of mercury, 54. Donovan's triple solution, 51. Mercurial vapour bath, 131.

**VULVAL PRURITUS.**—From *Vulva*, a covering: *Prurio*, to itch. —Irritation of the vulva may be simply a local affection; or a symptom of some disease,—excoriation of labia uteri, onset of carcinoma, &c. Not uncommon in advanced life; sometimes troublesome during pregnancy. May be symptomatic of diabetes.

**SYMPTOMS.** Itching, tingling, formication, or smarting about vulva: increased by stimulants and warmth. The scratching resorted to produces irritating excoriations and scabs about vaginal labia, perineum, vestibule, and mons Veneris. The constant annoyance causes general irritability, restlessness at night, loss of appetite, &c.

Pruritus not to be confounded with irritation from prurigo, presence of lice, follicular vaginitis, eczema, or from crops of small boils.

**TREATMENT.** *Generally:*—Sulphate of soda and sulphur, 148. Sulphur and magnesia, 153. Compound powder of rhubarb. Rhubarb and blue pill, 171. Steel and sulphate of soda, 180, 181. Pepsine, 420. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Phosphoric acid and nuxvomica, 376. Quinine, 379. Quinine and belladonna, 45. Tar capsules, 36. Arsenic, 52. Corrosive sublimate, 27. Colchicum, 46. Copaiba. Camphor. Tincture of Indian hemp.—Plain animal food, milk, eggs: avoidance of alcohol, tea, coffee.

*Locally:*—Tobacco lotion, 265. Lotion of corrosive sublimate and morphia, 271. Lotion of acetate of lead and prussic acid, 263. Lotion of morphia and solution of potash, 266. Lotion of borax, morphia, and glycerine, 268. Painting vulva with mixture of equal parts of belladonna and aconite and chloroform liniments. Cod liver oil. Olive oil. Nitrate of silver. Lime liniment. Glycerine and rose water (one part to eight). Calomel ointment. Equal parts of red oxide of mercury ointment and cod liver oil. Carbonate of lead ointment. Hip baths. Vaginal injections of plain water; or of solution of lead and poppies, 425.

If there be excoriation of labia uteri it must be healed. In carcinoma, relief may be given to irritation by pessaries containing oxide of zinc and belladonna, 423.

**VULVAL TUMOURS.**—From *Vulva*, a covering,—or perhaps as if *Valvæ*, folding doors. Several varieties of morbid growths are met with about the vaginal labia:—

**1. Encysted Tumours.**—Have their origin in connective tissue of vaginal labia; or in one of lobules of vulvo-vaginal gland; or in entire gland. The tumour feels firm, but elastic.

**SYMPTOMS.** When about size of walnut, discomfort on walking. Pain after intercourse. Irritability of bladder. Tenderness about time of catamenial periods. Inflammation and suppuration of cyst walls may occur, converting tumour into an encysted abscess.

**TREATMENT.** Simple incision, seldom followed by permanent cure. Excision of portion of cyst wall. Evacuation of contents, afterwards rubbing cyst walls with nitrate of silver, or iodine liniment. Introduction of seton through entire swelling. Cyst to be dissected out. Sensibility to be removed by ether spray (Richardson).

**2. Fibrous Tumours, &c.**—Occasionally developed in one of the labia majora; more rarely about perineum. They vary in size from that of a hazel nut to that of an orange.

*Fatty* tumours sometimes met with in same situations. May become pediculated.

The only remedy for either form of growth is excision. Sensibility to be removed by ether spray.

**3. Warty Growths.**—Usually scattered about labia, nymphæ, vestibule, perineum, and around anus: sometimes appear in large clusters. They give rise to irritation, and offensive moisture.

Removal with scissors necessary. Sensibility to be destroyed with ether spray. Hæmorrhage, if any, requires application of solution of perchloride of iron. Escharotics painful and inefficient.

**4. Hypertrophy of Labia.**—May occur to an enormous extent: sometimes constitutes a form of elephantiasis. Enlargement often due to syphilitic taint.

**TREATMENT.** Red iodide of mercury, 54. Mercurial vapour bath, 131. Iodide of potassium, 31. Iodide of iron, 32. Excision seldom successful without constitutional treatment.

**5. Abscess of Labia.**—May occur from a blow, forcible sexual intercourse, irritation of gonorrhœal or acrid leucorrhœal discharges, &c. Produces throbbing pain, heat and swelling, constitutional disturbance.

A free incision will be needed. Rest. Ammonia and bark, 371. Cod liver oil. Animal food.

**6. Pudendal Hæmatocele.**—Synon. *Labial Thrombus*; *Sanguineous Tumour of Vulva*.—Extravasation of blood into areolar tissue of one of the labia majora, nymphæ, or vaginal walls may occur from injury: from rupture of a vessel during parturition.

**SYMPTOMS.** Considerable elastic swelling. Pain. Tumour sometimes bursts: if small, clot may be absorbed.

**TREATMENT.** Puncture; followed by application of pads and a

T-bandage to prevent further hæmorrhage. Latter may also be prevented by lint saturated with solution of perchloride of iron.

**VULVITIS.**—From *Vulva*, a covering; terminal *-itis*. Synon. *Inflammatio Vulvæ*.—Several forms of troublesome inflammation may attack the vulva:—

**1. Simple Vulvitis.**—Not very uncommon from want of cleanliness, excessive intercourse, venereal taint, or irritation of adjoining structures—rectum or uterus.

**SYMPTOMS.** Pain and tenderness. Swelling. Mucous discharge. Heat or scalding during micturition. Aching about loins, groins, and thighs. Constitutional disturbance.

**TREATMENT.** Seidlitz powders. Effervescing citrate of magnesia. Cold hip baths. Alum or lead lotions. Avoidance of stimulants.

**2. Gangrenous Vulvitis.**—Has on a few occasions prevailed as an epidemic amongst lying-in women.

**SYMPTOMS.** Commence three or four days after delivery with vomiting and diarrhœa, or fever and abdominal pains, or with slight hæmorrhage. Prostration, anxiety. Oedematous redness of vulva. Disease progressing, pultaceous plates form on interior of vulva, somewhat like diphtheritic membranes. Separation of plates does not occur until end of first or second week: small suppurating wounds left. Disease may extend to uterus, causing gangrene. Peritonitis.

**TREATMENT.** Mineral acids and bark, 376. Quinine, 379. Quinine and steel, 380. Opium. Cod liver oil. Essence of beef. Milk, cream, raw eggs. Brandy or port wine. *Locally*:—Fomentations. Yeast poultices. Application of strong hydrochloric acid.

**3. Follicular Inflammation of Vulva.**—Synon. *Follicular Vaginitis*.—An accumulation of sebaceous matter, or an inflammation of the sebaceous follicles scattered over mucous membrane of vulva. Both sides of vaginal entrance usually affected; with tissues within nymphæ and at base of clitoris.—Very intractable. Most common during pregnancy and about change of life.

**SYMPTOMS.** Parts found more or less inflamed: studded with numerous raised vascular points, sometimes having specks of ulceration on summits. Soon, the points coalesce, forming a strip of highly injected mucous membrane: subsequently, vascularity disappears, tissues looking as if covered with white paint (Oldham). Disturbance of general health. Constriction of sphincter vaginæ muscle. Leucorrhœa: irritation and smarting of genitals. Sexual intercourse very painful. Pains in back and thighs.

**TREATMENT.** *Locally*:—Avoidance of caustics and astringents. Morphia and hydrocyanic acid lotion, 266. Tobacco lotion, 265. Glycerine and lime water, 286. Lime liniment. Iodide of lead and belladonna ointment, 293. Aconitine and calomel ointment, 296.

Hydrocyanic acid and atropia ointment, 306. Hemlock poultices. Warm hip baths, containing extract of poppies and soda.

*Generally*.—Plain nourishing food. Avoidance of seasoned dishes : tea, coffee, wine, and beer. Milk. Brandy and soda water. Arsenic and bark, 52. Mineral acids and bark, 376. Nitro-hydrochloric acid, 378. Quinine with aconite, 379. Corrosive sublimate and sarsaparilla, 27. Cod liver oil. Change of air.

**4. Pudendal Erythema.**—Generally from want of cleanliness; or from excessive exhalation of moisture in stout middle-aged women, the surfaces of the labia and perineum and upper part of inside of thighs become the seat of an erythematous eruption. Parts of a bright red colour : sensation of heat and great discomfort. Severe forms may end in erysipelas.

**TREATMENT.** Non-stimulating diet. Removal of any derangement of general health. Great attention to cleanliness. Bathing with dilute solution of subacetate of lead. Dusting with oxide of zinc, or powdered spermaceti. Fuller's earth, a common domestic remedy.

**5. Infantile Leucorrhœa.**—An irritation or subacute inflammation of mucous glands of vulva, producing a muco-purulent or purulent discharge.—May occur from irritation of worms or teething : sometimes as a complication during progress of one of the eruptive fevers.

**SYMPTOMS.** Derangement of general health : children often strumous, badly fed, &c. There may be only a mucous discharge, with irritation of surrounding parts : if disease extend up vagina, profuse purulent discharge, heat and pain during micturition, excoriation of surrounding parts, perhaps aphthous ulceration. Caution necessary, lest disease be wrongly attributed to gonorrhœal affection, or to violence in attempting a rape.—Fatal sloughing, or gangrenous ulceration of vulva, very rare.—In diphtheritic vulvitis, tough false membranes formed on inner surface of labia. Effects of diphtheritic poison very seldom confined to vulva.—Scarlatinal vaginitis, attended with exfoliation of patches of epithelium.

**TREATMENT.** Plain nourishing food : milk. Bark. Quinine and steel. Cod liver oil. Glycerine. Chemical food, 405. Chlorate of potash. Warm hip baths. Fomentations. Alum or subacetate of lead lotions. Sea bathing.

**WASTING PALSY.**—A degeneration of the voluntary muscles, producing complete loss of power.—See *Paralysis*.

**WEIGHT OF BODY.**—The following table shows the normal weight in proportion to height. Loss of weight an early symptom in phthisis. A slow and gradual fall, more serious than a rapid and irregular diminution ; a steady loss always precedes tuberculosis (Dr. Hutchinson) :—

<i>Exact stature.</i>		<i>Mean weight.</i>		<i>Weight increased by 7 per Cent.</i>	
Ft.	in.	St. lbs.	lbs.	St. lbs.	lbs.
5	1	8	8 or 120	9	2 or 128
5	2	9	0 " 126	9	9 " 135
5	3	9	7 " 133	10	2 " 142
5	4	9	13 " 139	10	9 " 149
5	5	10	2 " 142	10	12 " 152
5	6	10	5 " 145	11	1 " 155
5	7	10	8 " 148	11	4 " 158
5	8	11	1 " 155	11	12 " 166
5	9	11	8 " 162	12	5 " 173
5	10	12	1 " 169	12	13 " 181
5	11	12	6 " 174	13	4 " 186
6	0	12	10 " 178	13	8 " 190

This reads:—A man of 5 ft. 8 in. should weigh, in his clothes, 11 st. 1 lb. or 155 lb. (14 lb.=1 stone); he may exceed this by 7 per cent., and so attain 11 st. 12 lb., or 166 lb., without affecting his vital capacity; beyond this amount his respiration becomes diminished. According to M. Quetelet the average weight of the clothes at different ages is one-eighteenth of the total weight of male body, and one-twenty fourth of that of female.

**WRY-NECK.**—Synon. *Torticollis*.—A distortion, in which the occiput is drawn down to one side (often the right), and the face directed to the opposite. Due to contraction of the sterno-mastoid muscle of one side, other muscles often co-operating; or paralysis of one muscle allows the other to overpower its fellow. Inflammation, or rheumatic spasm of one muscle may cause it to contract unduly. Sometimes the affection is owing to lateral curvature of spine; to caries of cervical vertebræ; to tumours or enlargement of cervical glands on one side; or to contraction of cicatrix left by a burn or ulcer.

**TREATMENT.** *Inflammatory or rheumatic variety*:—Rest. Fomentations or hot bathing. Turkish bath. Ammonia and bark. Aconite or belladonna. Iodide of potassium with tincture of *actæa racemosa*.—*Permanent form*:—Apparatus to produce and maintain extension. Division of cicatrix, if present. Subcutaneous division of sternal or clavicular attachments of sterno-mastoid muscle, or of both. Excision of a portion of the trunk of the external branch of the spinal accessory nerve (Campbell de Morgan).—*Paralytic variety*:—Friction, blisters, irritating liniments, or galvanism to palsied muscle. Tenotomy on sound side sometimes recommended. Improvement of general health.

**XANTHELASMA.**—A yellow discoloration of the skin usually occurring in small, well-defined patches on the upper eyelid. Sometimes associated with functional, or organic, affections of liver. Yellow patches may be disseminated over various parts of body.

**YELLOW FEVER.**—Synon. *Pestilentia Hæmagastrica*; *Bulawa*

*Fever; Mal de Siam; Typhus Icterodes; Bilious Remitting Yellow Fever; Black Vomit; Yellow Jack.*—An acute and very dangerous fever; accompanied with jaundice, severe headache, and vomiting of black matter. Almost limited to warm climates. Not of unfrequent occurrence in sea-port towns of the West Indies, Africa, southern parts of Spain. May be conveyed to temperate climates, but does not spread in them. May occur sporadically or epidemically. Probably not directly contagious, but locality poisoned. White races more obnoxious to the disease than negroes. One attack generally gives permanent immunity against another, unless patient visits a temperate climate.

**SYMPTOMS.** Often commence suddenly with languor, loss of appetite, giddiness, headache, pain in the brow on one side, mental depression. Sometimes begin with coldness of the surface, or distinct rigors; followed by fever which continues for a few hours. In a third class of cases, there is prostration from the first, without febrile reaction; stupor, coma, and convulsions soon following. When there is decided fever, it generally becomes aggravated towards night; pulse gets quick, skin hot and dry, eyes congested and painful, face flushed. Distressing headache; perhaps confined to one temple. Pains in back and limbs; in large joints. Irritability of stomach: tenderness on pressure; sense of tightness about præcordia; nausea, followed after a few hours by constant vomiting and retching. Thirst, with desire for cold drinks. Urine diminished in quantity; of a dark-red colour. Constipation; stools free from bile. Distressing restlessness; mental anxiety; sleeplessness; perhaps, active delirium.—At the end of second or third day, severity of symptoms greatly diminishes: patient feels much relieved: face gets slightly jaundiced: skin becomes moist, and there are copious bilious stools. In favourable cases, convalescence firmly established. More frequently, improvement of short duration. After some twenty-four hours, epigastric tenderness is aggravated: jaundice increases and spreads over body: tendency to stupor: pulse becomes feeble, irregular, and slow—perhaps as low as thirty beats in the minute: tongue gets foul and dry: respiration embarrassed: hiccough, thirst, nausea, vomiting, &c., are constant. Unless symptoms remit, grumous blood is vomited—black vomit: urine is suppressed or simply retained: skin becomes of a dark-brown hue: dark-coloured blood effused in patches under skin, or exudes from nose, gums, anus, vagina, &c.: most offensive tarry-looking stools. There are now all the features of a most malignant fever: almost imperceptible pulse; slow or stertorous breathing; involuntary evacuations; difficulty of deglutition and articulation; suppressed or bloody urine; with formation of buboes or patches of gangrene. Death takes place, preceded by coma or convulsions; or patient retains consciousness to the close.

Usual duration from 3 to 9 days. Mortality about 1 in 3. Death from overpowering effect of poison on the system, exhaustion, uræmia or apoplexy.

**TREATMENT.** *Prophylactic*:—Removal of all nuisances: thorough ventilation and fumigation of narrow courts, cellars, docks, holds of

ships, &c. Cleanliness on board ship: pumping out of foul bilge water.—Individuals exposed to risk, to live on plain nourishing food, avoiding the abuse of alcoholic drinks and sexual excesses: to have a due amount of sleep; to promote healthy action of skin, kidneys, intestinal canal: to have warm clothing: not to venture out early in the morning with the stomach empty. The special efficacy of strong coffee, quinine, and inunction with lard or oil, doubtful.

*Curative*:—From the commencement until convalescence is firmly established the recumbent posture to be strictly maintained: bed to be placed in centre of well-ventilated room: great attention to be paid to cleanliness. The indications presented by the urgent symptoms to be observed. The disease cannot be cured, but the patient may be guided through it. Simple diet:—Arrowroot, barley water, ice and iced water, tea, lemonade, broth, champagne, spruce, seltzer water, brandy and water. Remedies which have been recommended: Podophyllum. Sulphate of magnesia and senna. Calomel with quinine, or jalap. Quinine. Bark. Sulphate of beberia. Tincture of perchloride of iron. Nitro-hydrochloric acid. Morphia, in a small dose. Turpentine. Creasote. Liquor potassæ. Chlorine mixture. Chlorate of potash. Preparation of oxygen.

Blisters or sinapisms to nucha. Cold to the head. Compression of the temporal arteries, for relief of cephalalgia. Prolonged use of warm bath, or of wet sheet. Nitro-hydrochloric acid bath, 120: followed by use of sheet wrung out of the bath water. Sinapisms or turpentine stupes to epigastrium. Venesection: if at all, only in early stage.

Avoidance of ammonia: the blood often strongly ammoniacal. Alcoholic stimulants to be used cautiously, when kidneys are much congested.

**ZONA.**—From *Zona*, a belt. *Synon.* *Herpes Zoster*; *Shingles*.—That form of herpes in which the vesicles, with their inflamed patches are arranged in the form of a band encircling half the circumference of the body.—See *Herpes*.





## APPENDIX OF FORMULÆ.

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IN prescribing a medicine, attention must be paid to the following points:—Age, Sex, Temperament, Habit, Condition of System, Climate, and Season of the year. The operation of most drugs is materially influenced by the form in which the medicine is given, the purity of the preparation, the time of day at which the dose is taken, and the condition of the stomach as regards the presence or absence of food. The succeeding formulæ are for Adults, unless the contrary is stated. The doses may, except in the case of mercurials and narcotics, be reduced by attention to this table:—

For an adult, suppose the dose to be . . .	1	or gr. 60.
Under 1 year, will require only . . . . .	1-12th	or gr. 5.
" 2 " " " . . . . .	1-8th	or gr. 7½.
" 3 " " " . . . . .	1-6th	or gr. 10.
" 4 " " " . . . . .	1-4th	or gr. 15.
" 7 " " " . . . . .	1-3rd	or gr. 20.
" 14 " " " . . . . .	1-half	or gr. 30.
" 20 " " " . . . . .	2-3rds	or gr. 40.
Above 21, the full dose.		
" 65, the dose must be diminished in the inverse gradation of the above.		

Children bear as large doses of mercury as adults; but they are much more susceptible to the influence of opiates. Consequently, opium must be given in very minute doses to them. Females, also, from their more delicate organization and greater sensitiveness, require smaller quantities of powerful medicines than males. This is particularly the case during the periods of menstruation, pregnancy, and lactation.

The skill of the physician is shown by the administration of the proper remedy, in the proper quantity, at the proper time. A druggists' apprentice can tell what agents will purge, vomit, or sweat; but a man must be practically conversant with disease to be able rightly to apply his therapeutical resources to the exigences of any particular case. Instead of introducing medicines into the system by the stomach it is often more advisable to do so by the rectum, or by the skin, or by the lungs, or by injections into the areolar tissue. Absorption takes place from the rectum as speedily and surely as from the stomach; and hence purgatives, emetics, narcotics, tonics, and nutrients may be admirably administered as enemata. The skin offers a mechanical impediment to absorption; but still poultices and fomentations, plasters, liniments and ointments, and medicated vapour or water baths are all valuable remedies. If the cuticle be removed by a blister, and the medicine applied to the denuded dermis in its pure state or incorporated with lard or mucilage its action will be rapid. The system is quickly and thoroughly affected by the inhalation of medicated vapours, or of substances reduced to an impalpable powder. Subcutaneous injections must be employed with great caution; since by this plan none of the medicine is lost, neither is it altered or diluted by the contents of the stomach, as

happens when drugs are taken by the mouth.—In only exceptional cases can there be any advantage in procuring absorption through the conjunctiva, the nasal or pituitary membrane, or the mucous coat of the vagina; but in these exceptional cases the benefit is often very great.—Injection into the veins is too dangerous to allow of its being practised except as a last resource in grave diseases—such as epidemic cholera snake-bite, &c.

The practitioner will do well to bear in mind the following rules:—  
 (1) When a disease is progressing favourably towards recovery, it is unwise to interfere with the spontaneous effort at cure by the administration of drugs. The end and aim of treatment is not only to restore health, but to do so safely and speedily and pleasantly.—(2) Where drugs are needed, and there is a choice of remedies, employ that one which will be the least distressing at the time, and subsequently the least injurious to the constitution.—(3) Put the medicine into that form in which it can be most easily taken. When possible, especially with children, cover the disagreeable taste of the draught by syrups, &c.—(4) If there be an idiosyncrasy with respect to any special medicine—such as mercury, arsenic, iodide of potassium, opium, strychnia, or nuxvomica, quinine, assafoetida, turpentine, &c.—avoid administering it. That a peculiarity of constitution, causing an extreme susceptibility to the influence of certain drugs and foods and odours sometimes exists, cannot be disputed. It is as certain that it can seldom be safely combated.—(5) Attend to the condition under which the patient will be at the period of the medicine's action; e.g. it will be worse than useless to give a sudorific to an individual obliged to be in the open air soon after taking it.—(6) Be careful that the various agents in the prescription are not incompatible with each other, unless it be desired to form some new or particular compound. Chemical incompatibility, however, is by no means synonymous with therapeutic inertness; for experience tells us that certain unchemical compounds—perchloride of mercury and tincture of bark, gallic acid and tincture of opium, calomel and compound ipecacuanha powder, &c.—are all valuable preparations in curing diseases.—(7) Remember that if a disease be incurable, it may still admit of great alleviation. Hence it is cruel to give up any case; although, at the same time, the patient is not to be deceived by false promises.—(8) Never order, or sanction the use of, a quack medicine; i.e. one the composition of which is kept a secret.—(9) Bearing in mind the weakness of human nature, as well as the prejudices and superstitions which are current, it is not only necessary to give good advice, but pains must be taken so to impress the patient and attendants that the necessary treatment may be thoroughly carried out. *Hope and confidence* are no mean remedial agents; and in many chronic diseases at least, the individual who has *faith* will recover more speedily, *ceteris paribus*, than he who is shy of belief.—(10) Simply to prescribe drugs, without regulating the diet and general management of the patient, is to omit a most important duty. In acute diseases plain directions must be given as to the ventilation and warmth of the sick-room, the amount of light, the position of the bed (not to be placed in a corner), the degree of quiet to be maintained, the avoidance of excitement and whispering, the exclusion of visitors, the cleanliness of the sufferer, and the nature and quantity and times for administration of food. No cooking whatever should be permitted in the sick-room. In cases of long illness, when the patient can be moved without risk, it is often desirable to have two beds in the room,—one to be occupied during the day, the

other at night. Every precaution must be taken to prevent the spread of infectious disorders. Soiled linen, dirty water, &c., must be immediately removed. And, in all instances, the evacuations ought to be passed in a bed-pan or night-stool containing some disinfectant material (carbolic acid, permanganate of potash, sulphate of iron, &c.).—(11) While it is allowed that the following formulæ may often be employed unaltered with great advantage, yet it is not supposed that they will usually be prescribed with servile exactness; for it should never be forgotten that all medicines of any power have to be adapted to the requirements of the special case under treatment. It has been quaintly but truly observed, that a bundle of ready-made receipts in the hands of the routine practitioner, is but a well-equipped quiver on the back of an unskilful archer.—And, (12) In watching the restoration of a sick man to health, it is a mistake to attribute the improvement too confidently to the action of the medicine prescribed; for it may not have been taken, or it may not have been absorbed, or its properties may have been destroyed by adulteration, or it may have even proved injurious—recovery occurring in spite of it.

The succeeding formulæ have been written in accordance with the rules, preparations, &c., of the *British Pharmacopœia* of 1867. For the sake of convenience they are arranged in twenty-one classes, running thus:—

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Aliments.                   | 11. Emetics and Expectorants. |
| 2. Alteratives and resolvents. | 12. Gargles and Inhalations.  |
| 3. Antacids.                   | 13. Lotions, Liniments, Col-  |
| 4. Antiseptics.                | lyria, and Ointments.         |
| 5. Antispasmodics.             | 14. Narcotics and Sedatives.  |
| 6. Astringents.                | 15. Refrigerants and Salines. |
| 7. Baths.                      | 16. Stimulants.               |
| 8. Cathartics and Anthel-      | 17. Tonics.                   |
| mintics.                       | 18. Uterine Therapeutics.     |
| 9. Caustics and Counter-Irri-  | 19. Electro-therapeutics.     |
| tants.                         | 20. Climates for Invalids.    |
| 10. Diaphoretics and Diu-      | 21. Mineral Waters.           |
| retics.                        |                               |

The symbolic formulæ employed here and there in this volume, have been represented according to the new method of notation.

## I. ALIMENTS.

### 1. *Extracts and Essence of Beef.*

*Extract of Beef.*—Take one pound of rumpsteak, mince it like sausage meat, and mix it with one pint of cold water. Place it in a pot at the side of the fire to heat very slowly. It may stand two or three hours before it is allowed to simmer, and then let it boil gently for fifteen minutes. Skim and serve. The addition of a small teaspoonful of cream to a teacupful of this beef tea renders it richer and more nourishing. Sometimes it is preferred when thickened with a little flour or arrowroot.

*Essence of Beef.*—Take one pound of gravy beef free from skin and fat, chop it up as fine as mincemeat, pound it in a mortar with three tablespoonfuls of soft water, and let it soak for two hours. Then put it into a covered earthen jar, with a little salt; cementing the edges of the cover with pudding paste, and tying a piece of cloth over the top. Place the jar in a pot half full of boiling water, and keep the pot on the fire

for four hours. Strain off (through a coarse sieve, so as to allow the smaller particles of meat to pass) the liquid essence, which will amount to about five or six ounces in quantity. Give two or more teaspoonfuls frequently. *In great debility, diphtheria, typhus, exhaustion from hæmorrhage, &c.*

The *Extract of Meat Lozenges*, as sold by Allen & Hanbury, can sometimes be taken when the stomach is too irritable to retain beef tea. Each lozenge contains half its weight (or about eighteen grains) of pure Extract of Meat made after LIEBIG'S process. This quantity corresponds to the soluble constituents of an ounce and a quarter of solid flesh, and will afford the sustaining and restorative effect of soup or beef tea made from that quantity of meat.—A good broth may be made by dissolving four of these lozenges in a wineglassful of boiling water, or better still, of home-made beef tea, adding a little salt and pepper to taste.

Excellent meat essences of various kinds and concentrated beef tea are also prepared by Brand or Gillon, which are more trustworthy than domestic preparations, and are often invaluable in emergencies.

LIEBIG'S *Extract of Meat* is a valuable preparation. It is of uniform strength, one pound being the product of thirty-four pounds of pure muscular tissue. This corresponds to about forty-five pounds of butcher's meat (including fat, bones, connective tissue, &c.); so that the carcase of a good ox very seldom yields more than ten pounds of extract. It must not be supposed, however, that the extract is in any way the equivalent of the meat from which it has been obtained, or that it contains all the elements for nutrition. It is rather a stimulant than a food from which tissues can be built up, and may be injurious if relied on exclusively or taken in too large quantity and in a highly concentrated form. One ounce of this extract will make four pints of excellent beef tea; each pint representing the soluble ingredients of rather more than half a pound of beef. Besides mixing the extract with water it will often be advantageous to add it to common beef tea, to vegetable soups, to a mixture of brandy and eggs, or to wine. Sometimes invalids will eat it spread on bread and butter, or on toast, like a potted meat.

## 2. Preparations of Raw Meat.

*Raw Meat Juice*.—Good beefsteak is cut into small portions and pounded in a mortar. Water is added to an amount not exceeding the volume of the pounded meat, and the juice is strained off by compression through muslin or a fine sieve.

*Raw Meat Pulp* is prepared by rubbing the pounded meat through a sieve without the addition of water.

Raw meat can sometimes be assimilated when no other food is borne. The juice will be taken by some patients without disguise, or it may be given with beef tea, or in Malaga or Malmsey wine. The pulp also may be made into sandwiches.

Other methods of disguising it are as follows :—

*YVON'S Process*.—Raw meat, 250 pts. Blanched sweet almonds, 75. Bitter almonds, 5. Sugar, 80. Pounded up in marble mortar to pulp, which may be brought to the fluid form by adding water. Or raw meat, 50; sweet almonds, 16; bitter almonds, 1; sugar, 16; beaten up, water added, passed through sieve. Or, grated raw meat, 100; sugar, 40; wine, 20; tincture of cinnamon, 3; sugar and meat pounded; wine and tincture added; has consistence of marmalade. See also F. 3.

### 3. *Restorative Soup for Invalids.*

Take one pound of newly killed beef or fowl, chop it fine, add eight fluid ounces of soft or distilled water, four or six drops of pure hydrochloric acid, 30 to 60 grs. of common salt, and stir well together. After three hours the whole is to be thrown on a conical hair sieve, and the fluid allowed to pass through with slight pressure. On the flesh residue in the sieve pour slowly two ounces of distilled water, and let it run through while squeezing the meat. There will be thus obtained about ten fluid ounces of cold juice (cold extract of flesh), of a red colour, and possessing a pleasant taste of soup; of which a wineglassful may be taken at pleasure. It must not be warmed (at least, not to a greater extent than can be effected by partially filling a bottle with it, and standing this in hot water); since it is rendered muddy by heat or by alcohol, and deposits a thick coagulum of albumen with the colouring matter of blood.—If, from any special circumstance (such as a free secretion of gastric juice) it is deemed undesirable to administer an acid, the soup may be well prepared by merely soaking the minced meat in plain distilled water.—Children, and even adults, will frequently take the raw meat simply minced or grated, when they are suffering from great debility. One teaspoonful of such meat may be given every three or four hours. If found disagreeable, all unpleasantness can be removed by thoroughly mixing in a mortar two parts of pounded white sugar with one part of meat.

*This modification of LIEBIG's formula is very valuable in cases of continued fever, in dysentery, and indeed in all diseases attended with great prostration and weakness of the digestive organs. When the flavour is thought disagreeable, it may be concealed by the addition of spice, or of a wineglassful of claret to each teacupful of soup.*

### 4. *Digested Milk and Soluble Meat.*

Milk, five ounces; pepsine, five grains; dilute hydrochloric acid, thirty minims. Digest in a water bath at a temperature of 120 deg. F. for two hours, after which neutralize the acid by twelve grains of carbonate of soda, and sweeten with pure sugar.

*Useful for children who are unable to digest milk, and in cases of extreme irritability of stomach.*—SIR WILLIAM JENNER.

*Soluble Meat.*—About two pounds of lean meat, chopped into pieces, are put into a china pan, with a quart of water, containing half a fluid drachm of strong hydrochloric acid. The pan is put into a Papin's kettle, perfectly sealed and subjected to maceration for about fifteen hours. The contents are then crushed in a mortar until they constitute an emulsion, and put back into the kettle again for about fifteen hours. The substance thus obtained must be then completely neutralized with bicarbonate of soda, and evaporated afterwards to the consistency of pap. When thus prepared, this soluble meat is generally accepted by patients. Milk and pounded biscuit may, however, be added for the sake of variety, and in order to avoid too great uniformity of food.—DR. MARCET.

### 4a. *Peptonised Food.*

Dr. W. Roberts, F.R.S., has introduced the plan of artificially digesting various articles of food before administration by means of fluid

extracts of pancreas. The solution he recommends is the *Liquor Pancreaticus* (Benger), manufactured by Mottershead & Co., of Manchester. This solution contains the pancreatic ferments, which convert albuminous substances into peptone, and starchy matters into glucose; but it has not the power of digesting fat. In using this solution to produce an artificial digestion, two points especially must be noted, first, that the solution must have a decidedly alkaline reaction, and secondly, that the temperature must not be raised above 140° F. At a higher temperature, and also in an acid medium, the ferments are destroyed. It is also advisable not to allow the process to be carried too far, otherwise a bitter taste becomes perceptible in the liquid. When the transformation has proceeded far enough, the temperature is raised to the boiling point, and all digestive action ceases.

*Peptonised Milk*.—Dilute a pint of milk with a quarter of a pint of water. Divide this into two equal portions, of which one must be heated to the boiling point. If the two portions are now again mixed, the whole will be at the required temperature. Add two or three teaspoonfuls of *liquor pancreaticus*, and twenty grains of bicarbonate of soda (about half a small teaspoonful). Place the mixture in a covered jug, and let it stand under a "cozey" in a warm place for an hour, or until a very slight bitterness is developed. Let it then be boiled for two or three minutes, and allowed to cool. A little cream may afterwards be added with advantage.

*Peptonised Milk Gruel*.—Prepare a thick well-boiled gruel from wheaten flour, oatmeal, arrowroot, sago, pearl-barley, pea-flour, or lentil flour. Add the boiling gruel to an equal quantity of cold milk. To each pint of this mixture add two or three teaspoonfuls of *liquor pancreaticus*, and half a small teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda and proceed as above directed.

*Peptonised Beef Tea*.—Mix half a pound of finely minced lean beef with a pint of water, and add half a small teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda. Let it simmer for an hour and a half. When it has cooled so far that it can be tolerated in the mouth (or if a thermometer be at hand, to a temperature of 140° F.), add a tablespoonful of *liquor pancreaticus*. Set it aside under a cozey for two hours, and stir it occasionally. At the end of this time, decant the liquid portion, boil it for five minutes, allow it to cool, and season with salt.

*Peptonised Soup* may be prepared by using peptonised gruel, which is quite thin and watery, for the purpose of extracting the gelatinous and soluble matters from shins of beef and other materials employed for the preparation of soup.

*Peptonised Jellies* may be obtained by adding the due quantity of gelatine or isinglass to hot peptonised gruel, and flavouring the mixture according to taste.

*Peptonised Blancmanges* are made by treating peptonised milk in the same way, and adding cream.

In preparing all these dishes, it is absolutely necessary to complete the operation of peptonising the gruel or the milk, even to the final boiling, before adding the stiffening ingredient. For if pancreatic extract be allowed to act on the gelatine, the gelatine itself undergoes a process of digestion, and its power of setting on cooling is utterly abolished.

*These peptonised foods are often of the greatest service in disease of the stomach, functional or organic, in typhoid fever, and in many other conditions. Peptonised milk is often very useful as a food for infants.*

#### 5. *Liebig's Food for Infants and Invalids.*

Half an ounce of wheaten flour (that called "seconds" is the most suitable), an equal quantity of malt flour,  $7\frac{1}{2}$  grains of bicarbonate of potash, and an ounce of water, are to be well mixed. Add five ounces of cow's milk, and put the whole on a gentle fire. When the mixture begins to thicken it is to be removed from the fire, stirred for five minutes, heated and stirred again till it becomes quite fluid, and finally made to boil. After separating the bran by passing the mixture through a sieve, it is ready for use.

To save the trouble of weighing, in may be remembered that a table-spoonful (heaped up) of wheaten flour weighs nearly half an ounce, and a heaped dessertspoonful of malt flour is equal to the same. This soup is as sweet as milk; and after boiling, may be kept for 24 hours without undergoing any change.—This is an excellent food for infants who cannot be suckled. It is slightly aperient; so that children under one year of age can seldom take more than two meals of it in the day. Where there is a tendency to diarrhoea, twenty grains of prepared chalk may be substituted for the potash. The proportion of blood-forming and heat-producing elements is the same as in woman's milk (1:3.8); while the quantity of alkali is equivalent to that in human milk.

The solid parts of this food are sold, ready mixed in packets, by Mr. Hooper, of Pall-Mall East, and Grosvenor Street; Mr. Cooper, of 26, Oxford Street; Mr. Mellin, of Piccadilly Circus; Messrs. Savory and Moore, of Bond Street, and other chemists. Barley malt can also be procured from every brewery. It may be ground in a common coffee mill; the coarse powder being passed through a sieve to remove the husks.

Other foods which may be used for infants of more than three months old, are Nestle's Milk Food, Lobb's Milk Food, and Oetli's Swiss Milk Food. For infants older than eight months, Robb's Biscuits, Ridge's Food, and especially Chapman's Entire Wheaten Flour, may be used to thicken the milk.

Hartenstein's Leguminose may also be tried.

#### 5a. *Dr. Playfair's Mother's Milk.*

Take half a pint of skimmed milk, heat it to about 96° F., and put into the warmed milk a piece of rennet about an inch square. Set the milk to stand in the fender or over a lamp until it is quite warm. When it is set, take the rennet out, and break up the curd quite small with a knife, and let it stand ten or fifteen minutes, when the curd will sink. Then pour the whey into a saucepan, and let it boil quickly. Measure one-third of a pint of this whey, and dissolve in it, when hot, a powder containing 110 grains of sugar of milk. *When this third of a pint of whey is quite cold*, add to it two-thirds of a pint of new milk and two teaspoonfuls of cream, stirring the whole together. The food should be made fresh every twelve hours, and warmed as required. The piece of rennet when taken out can be kept in an egg-cup, and used for ten days or a fortnight. N.B.—It is often advisable during the first month to use rather more than a third of a pint of whey, as the milk is apt to be rather too rich for a newly-born child. *Probably the most useful of all artificial foods for children brought up by hand.* It is supplied ready made by the Aylesbury Dairy Company.

6. *Eggs, Cream, and Extract of Beef.*

Wash two ounces of the best pearl sago until the water poured from it is clear. Then stew the sago in half a pint of water until it is quite tender and very thick: mix with it half a pint of good cream and the yolks of four fresh eggs, and mingle the whole carefully with one quart of good beef tea, which should be boiling. Serve. *This nourishing broth is very useful in many cases of lingering convalescence after acute disease.*

7. *Mutton or Veal Broth.—Beef Tea.*

Take of mutton or veal, or beef, one pound and a half, cold water one quart, a little salt, and rice two ounces. Simmer for four hours, boil for a few minutes, strain and serve. Another excellent plan for making beef tea is as follows:—Take one pound of beef minced very fine, and put it into a common earthenware teapot with a pint and a half of cold water. Stand the pot on the hob, so that it may simmer for at least three hours. About three-quarters of a pint of good beef tea will be thus obtained.

Take one pound of mutton, one pound of veal, half a chicken (with the bones well-broken), one calf's foot, and two quarts of water. Stew slowly down to one quart. To be flavoured with pepper and salt, and taken cold as a jelly, or as a warm broth. The chicken can be omitted if desired.

Beef tea as ordinarily made, and preserved meat juice of all kinds, are palatable but not very nutritive drinks. A pint of fine beef tea contains scarcely a quarter of an ounce of anything but water. Nevertheless, if these fluids are of small value as mere nutrients, perhaps the osmazome and salts they contain may possess the property, like tea and coffee, of diminishing the waste of the tissues. It has been proved that dogs die slowly if fed on bread and gelatine alone; but when greatly reduced by this diet they soon regain flesh and strength if two ounces of meat tea be daily added to it.

*Gruel mixed with beef tea* is nourishing. It is made thus:—Take two tablespoons of oatmeal with three of cold water, and mix them thoroughly. Then add a pint of strong boiling beef tea (or of milk); boil for five minutes, stirring well to prevent the oatmeal from burning; and strain through a hair sieve.—*An excellent simple restorative during convalescence from acute disease before solid food can be taken.*

8. *Spruce Beer.*

The essence of spruce is prepared by boiling down to concentration the young branches of the Black Spruce Fir (*Abies Nigra*). Take of this essence half a pint; bruised pimento and ginger, of each four ounces; water three gallons. Boil for five or ten minutes; then strain, and add eleven gallons of warm water, a pint of yeast, and six pints of molasses. Mix, and allow the mixture to ferment for twenty-four hours. *It is an admirable antiscorbutic, and is an agreeable and wholesome drink in warm weather. This drink was found very efficacious by CAPTAIN COOK. DR. ROBERT BARNES suggests that it should be used in the Merchant Service instead of rum, which has no antiscorbutic virtue.*

9. *Tapioca and Cod Liver.*

Boil a quarter of a pound of tapioca till tender, in two quarts of water; drain it in a cullender, then put it back in the pan; season with a little salt and pepper, add half a pint of milk, and put over it one pound of



fresh cod liver cut in eight pieces. Set the pan near the fire to simmer slowly for half an hour, or a little more, till the liver is quite cooked. Press on it with a spoon, so as to get as much oil into the tapioca as possible. After taking away the liver, mix the tapioca. If too thick, add a little milk, then boil for a few minutes; stir round, add a little salt and pepper, and serve.—ALEXIS SOYER. *Tapioca thus cooked is nourishing and easily digested.*

#### 10. *The Bran Loaf.*

The formula used by MR. CAMPLIN, in *Diabetes*, is as follows:—Take a sufficient quantity (say two or three quarts) of wheat bran, boil it in two successive waters for ten minutes, each time straining it through a sieve, then wash it well with cold water (on the sieve), until the water runs off perfectly clear; squeeze the bran in a cloth as dry as possible, then spread it thinly on a dish, and place it in a slow oven—if put in at night, let it remain until the morning, when, if perfectly dry and crisp, it will be fit for grinding. The bran thus prepared must be ground in a fine mill, and sifted through a wire sieve of sufficient fineness to require the use of a brush to pass it through; that which does not pass at first ought to be ground and sifted again, until the whole is soft and fine.

Take of this bran-powder three ounces troy, three fresh eggs, one ounce and a half of butter, and rather less than half a pint of milk; mix the eggs with part of the milk, and warm the butter with the other portion; then stir the whole well together, adding a little nutmeg and ginger, or any other agreeable spice. Immediately before putting into the oven, stir in first thirty-five grains of sesquicarbonate of soda, and then three drachms of dilute hydrochloric acid. The loaf thus prepared should be baked in a basin (previously well buttered) for about an hour or rather more.

Biscuits may be prepared as above, omitting the soda and hydrochloric acid and part of the milk, and making them of proper consistence for moulding into shape.

If properly baked, the loaves or biscuits will keep several days; but they should always be preserved in a dry place, and not be prepared in too large quantities at a time. Various biscuits are also made from almonds and gluten, for use in diabetes; and gluten flour may be made into bread, puddings, and pancakes, by the aid of milk and eggs. Sugar must not be added.

#### 11. *White Wine Whey and Caudle.*

*White Wine Whey.*—To half a pint of boiling milk, add one or two wineglassfuls of sherry or Madeira. The curd is to be separated by straining through a fine sieve or piece of muslin. Sweeten the whey with refined sugar.

*Caudle.*—Beat up one egg with a wineglassful of sherry, and add it to half a pint of fine hot gruel. Flavour with sugar, nutmeg, and lemon peel. *In insomnia with debility.*

Beat up two tablespoonfuls of cream in a pint of thin gruel. Add to this one tablespoonful of curaçoa or noyau, and a wineglassful of sherry. Flavour with sugarcandy, and let half a tumblerful be taken cold, at intervals.

#### 12. *Ferruginous Chocolate.*

Spanish chocolate 16 oz.; carbonate of iron half an ounce. Divide

into one-ounce cakes. One to be dissolved in half a pint of hot milk, and taken night and morning. *In anæmia, amenorrhœa, &c.*

### 13. Iceland Moss and Quinine Jelly.

Take of Iceland moss (*Cetraria*), and Irish moss (*Chondrus crispus* Carrageen), each one ounce. Boil slowly for three quarters of an hour in a pint and a half of milk, strain through muslin, and add three ounces of white sugar dissolved in one ounce of the compound tincture of quinia (equal to eight grains of the salt). A dessertspoonful to be taken frequently in the course of the day. *In phthisis, &c.*

### 14. Lime Water and Milk.

*R.* Liquoris Calcis Saccharati, min. 20—90, *vel* Liquoris Calcis, fl. oz. 1—4; Lactis, fl. oz. 4. Mix. *This compound will sometimes be retained when all other food is ejected. As a variety, milk and soda water in equal proportions may also be ordered. See F. 73.*

It may be well to remember that the addition of 15 grs. of Bicarbonate of Soda to the quart of fresh milk not only prevents it from turning sour for several hours, but renders it more digestible.

### 15. Artificial Ass's and Goat's Milk.

Take half an ounce of gelatine, and dissolve it in half a pint of hot barley water. Then add an ounce of refined sugar, and pour into the mixture a pint of good new cow's milk.

Chop an ounce of suet (that of the calf is the best) very fine, tie it lightly in a muslin bag, and boil it slowly in a quart of new milk. Sweeten with white sugar, or a glass of any liqueur. *An excellent aliment in some cases of abdominal tuberculosis, &c., where the unpleasant odour of goat's milk prevents its being taken.*

### 16a. Koumiss.

Koumiss is an effervescing preparation of milk obtained by fermentation. *It can often be retained when the stomach will tolerate no other food. It is of the greatest service in chronic vomiting, severe dyspepsia, and emaciation.*

It has long been made by Chapman, but is now supplied by the Aylesbury and other Dairy Companies in London.

### 16. Milk, Flour, and Steel.

Beat up carefully one tablespoonful of flour, one raw egg, and about twenty grains of the saccharated carbonate of iron, with half a pint of new milk: flavour with nutmeg and white sugar. To be taken for lunch with a biscuit. *In the early stages of tuberculosis Dr. Tunner found this mixture very valuable.*

### 17. Brandy and Egg Mixtures.

Take the whites and yolks of three eggs and beat them up in five ounces of plain water. Add slowly three ounces of brandy, with a little sugar and nutmeg. This form is preferable to that in the *British Pharmacopœia* for 1867; which form contains an insufficient quantity of egg, while it is spoilt for sensitive stomachs by the cinnamon water it is mixed with. Two tablespoonfuls should be given every four or six hours. In some cases of great prostration the efficacy of the

mixture is much increased by the addition of one drachm of the tincture of yellow cinchona to each dose.

When the stomach is very irritable the following will often be useful:—Take a tablespoonful of cream and beat it up thoroughly with the white of a new-laid egg. Add slowly to the frothy mixture thus obtained, one tablespoonful of brandy, in which a lump of sugar has been dissolved.

Let the white and yolk of an egg be beaten up in a wineglassful of water, with fifteen drops of brandy and white sugar. Two eggs thus treated, in the twenty-four hours, will serve for the food of an infant brought up by hand.

#### 18. Bread Jelly.

Take a quantity of the soft part of a loaf, break it up, cover it with boiling water, and allow it to soak for some hours. The water—containing all the noxious matters with which the bread may be adulterated—is then to be strained off completely, and fresh water added; place the mixture on the fire, and allow it to boil for some time until it becomes smooth; the water is then to be pressed out, and the bread on cooling will form a thick jelly. Mix a portion of this with sugared milk and water, for use as it is wanted.—**DR. CHURCHILL.** *A good food for infants at the time of weaning, and for children with acute disease, &c.*

#### 19. Nutritious Demulcent Drinks.

Mix together half a pint of Mucilago Acaciæ, Mistura Amygdalæ and pure milk; sweeten with sugarcandy or honey; and add one large tablespoonful of any liqueur. Allow the whole to be taken during the day. Or, a large pinch of isinglass may be boiled with a tumblerful of milk, half a dozen bruised almonds, and two or three lumps of sugar. To be taken warm once or twice in the day.

*These drinks are very grateful in cases of tonsillitis, ulceration of the pharynx, &c.; also in some cases of debility, with irritability of the stomach, and a tendency to diarrhœa.*

#### 20. Indian Sarsaparilla and Barley Water.

**R.** Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 2; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Decocti Hordei, fl. oz. 9. Mix, and direct one tablespoonful to be taken frequently. *An agreeable demulcent, slightly alterative, and diaphoretic mixture. Useful in the eruptive fevers, and for inflammations of the mucous membranes.*

#### 21. Beef Tea and Cream Enema.

An excellent nutritious enema can be made by mixing together from four to eight ounces of strong beef tea, an ounce of cream, and half an ounce of brandy or an ounce and a half of port wine. It may be administered twice or thrice in the course of twenty-four hours. *In cases of acute gastritis, carcinoma of the stomach, obstinate vomiting, &c., where it is necessary to avoid giving food by the mouth.*

Another form may run thus:—Take four or six ounces of restorative soup prepared without any acid (F. 3), one ounce of cream, two teaspoonfuls of brandy, and either fifteen minims of liquid extract of opium, or ten grains of citrate of iron and quinia.

#### 21a. Peptonised Enema.

Mix four ounces of strong beef tea with four ounces of milk-gruel. Add half a small teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda, and a dessertspoonful

of liquor pancreaticus (see F. 4a), and administer at once. The pancreatic digestion is favoured by the warm temperature of the rectum.

### 22. *Cod Liver Oil and Bark Enema.*

Take four ounces of milk, one ounce of port wine, half an ounce of cod liver oil, two drachms of tincture of yellow cinchona, and twenty minims of liquid extract of opium. Mix. To be administered every twelve hours.

### 23. *Quinine and Solution of Beef Enema.*

Take one tablespoonful of brandy, five grains of sulphate of quinine, one teaspoonful of glycerine, two tablespoonfuls of cream, and from four to eight ounces of restorative soup (F. 3). Mix. This enema can be administered every six or eight hours. Where the rectum is very irritable, or it is necessary to relieve pain, from fifteen to twenty minims of the liquid extract of opium may be advantageously added.

In all nutrient enemata LIEBIG'S extract may be advantageously substituted for domestic beef tea, the solid particles floating in which are not absorbed. The value of milk also when given by the bowel is doubtful. When nutritive enemata are required for any length of time the rectum should be occasionally washed out by a copious injection of warm water to prevent irritation by accumulation and decomposition of unabsorbed residuum.

## II. ALTERATIVES AND RESOLVENTS.

### 24. *Compound Pill of Calomel and Opium.*

R. Pilulæ Hydrargyri Subchloridi Compositæ, gr. 5; Extracti Opii gr. ½. Make a pill, and direct it to be taken every night, or night and morning. *In disorders dependent on a venereal taint.*

### 25. *Calomel and Opium.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 2; Pulveris Opii, gr. ½; Confectionis Rosæ Gallicæ, sufficient to make a pill. To be taken every four hours. *As an alterative, when it is wished to get the system quickly under the influence of mercury.*

### 26. *Mercury and Conium, or Quinine.*

R. Hydrargyri cum Cretâ, gr. 2; Extracti Conii, gr. 3. Mix, and form a pill to be taken three times a day. *In syphilitic tubercular diseases.*

R. Hydrargyri cum Cretâ, gr. 1—3; Quinise Sulphatis, gr. 1; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 1. Mix, and form a pill, to be taken three times a day. *A convenient form of administering mercury in secondary syphilis, and little liable to give rise to troublesome salivation.*

### 27. *Perchloride of Mercury, or Corrosive Sublimate.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 1; Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 5; Extracti Sarsæ Liquidi, fl. drs. 12; Decoctum Sarsæ Compositi, ad fl. oz. 12. Mix. Direct,—“Two small teaspoonfuls to be taken three times a day.” *In confirmed constitutional syphilis; as well as in some forms of eczema, prurigo, follicular vaginitis, chronic metritis, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 1; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Tincturan

Cinchonæ Compositæ, ad fl. oz. 3; Olei Menthæ Piperitæ, min. 25. Mix. Direct,—“One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day.” *In constitutional syphilis, some forms of hæmorrhage, and certain varieties of vertigo.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 1; Extracti Opii, gr. 3—6; Guaiaci Resinæ, gr. 100; Glycerini, sufficient to make a mass. Divide carefully into twenty-four pills, and order two to be taken three times a day. *In some varieties of chronic rheumatism, secondary syphilis, and skin diseases.*

### 28. Mercury, Squills, and Digitalis.

R. Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 1—3; Digitalis Foliæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Pulveris Scillæ gr. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix, and form a pill to be taken twice or three times a day. *As an alterative and diuretic, in some cases of dropsy.*

### 29. Bromide of Mercury and Sarsaparilla.

R. Hydrargyri Bromidi, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Sarsæ Liquidii, fl. drs. 2; Decocti Sarsæ Compositi, fl. drs. 10. Mix. To be taken three times a day. *In syphilitic lepra, and obstinate secondary syphilitic eruptions.*

### 30. Podophyllum Peltatum, or May-apple.

R. Podophylli Resinæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ — $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 3. Mix. Make a pill, to be taken twice or thrice daily. *In syphilis, scrofula, jaundice from suppression, skin diseases, &c. As a simple alterative it is said to resemble mercury, without possessing any injurious qualities. One or two grains of quinine may be advantageously added to each pill, where there is general debility. See F. 160.*

### 31. Iodide of Potassium Mixtures.

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 20—30; Tincturæ Serpentariæ, fl. drs. 3; Misturam Guaiaci, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part to be taken three times a day. *Valuable in chronic and gonorrhæal rheumatism, in lumbago, some forms of neuralgia, &c.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 30; Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 60; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Cinchonæ Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One sixth part three times a day. *In chronic rheumatism with an abundance of lithates in the urine; as well as in some cases of eczema, &c.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 2; Vini Colchici, min. 15; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 3—8; Infusi Rhei, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken three times a day. *In acute and suppressed and chronic gout.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 3—5; Spiritus Ammoniæ Aromatici, min. 40; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, min. 5—15; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Compositæ, fl. drs. 1; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Make a draught. To be taken three times a day. *In cases of Asthma remarkable benefit has sometimes resulted from this formula.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 15—30; Vini Colchici, min. 90; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 6; Magnesiæ Sulphatis, gr. 240; Infusum Antho midis, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One sixth part three times a day. *In some instances of gout with fever and constipation, and in chronic pleurisy with effusion. Also in cases of lead and mercurial poisoning occurring in gouty subjects.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 60; Tincturæ Rhei, fl. oz. 1; Extracti Sarsæ Liquidi, fl. oz. 2. Mix. Label,—“A small teaspoonful in a wine-glassful of water three times a day.” *In syphilitic skin diseases, in nodes, and in follicular inflammation of the pharyngo-laryngeal mucous membrane, &c.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 100—400; Ammonia Carbonatis, gr. 30; Tincturæ aurantii, fl. oz. 1½; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. A tablespoonful to be taken three times a day in a wineglass of water, or with two ounces of Decoction of Sarsaparilla. *In syphilitic disease of the nervous system or severe forms of tertiary syphilis. Large doses of the Iodide of Potassium are better borne after meals.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 30—120; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 20; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Succus Taraxaci, fl. drs. 6; Decoctum Sarsæ Compositi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In severe gonorrhæal rheumatism, tertiary syphilis, secondary spreading syphilitic ulcers, bronchocele, scrofulous sores, aneurism, &c.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 15; Tincturæ Assafœtidæ, min. 90; Tincturæ Senegæ, fl. drs. 3; Syrupum Mori, ad fl. oz. 3. Mix. Label,—“One teaspoonful every two, three, or four hours.” *For a child about two years old, suffering from croup.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 24; Liquoris Ammonia Acetatis, fl. oz. 1; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, min. 40; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 1½; Tinctura Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. An eighth part to be taken every three or four hours. *In bronchitis and pneumonia.*

### 32. Iodide of Ammonium.

**R.** Ammonii Iodidi, gr. 3—15; Infusi Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. oz. 1—2. Make a draught. To be taken twice or thrice daily before food. *Very valuable in strumous enlargement of the absorbent glands. The dose is to be graduated according to the patient's age. At the time this medicine is given internally, an ointment of the iodide of ammonium (gr. 60 to lard oz. 1) should be rubbed into the swellings night and morning.*

### 33. Iodide of Sodium.

**R.** Sodii Iodidi, gr. 60; Decocti Sarsæ Compositi, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *As an antisymphilitic where the iodide of potassium disagrees. Moreover, it will sometimes effect a cure after the latter has failed to be of use.*

Iodide of Sodium or of Ammonium may be substituted for Iodide of Potassium in the formulæ of No. 31.

### 34. Iodide of Iron Mixtures.

**R.** Ferri Iodidi, gr. 6—18; Glycerini, fl. drs. 12; Infusum Calumbæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In the early stages of tuberculosis, and in strumous ulcers, where the stomach will not tolerate cod liver oil.*

**R.** Potassii Iodidi, gr. 30; Ferri et Ammonia Citratis, gr. 60; Aquæ Distillatæ, fl. drs. 2; Glycerini, fl. drs. 6; Olei Menthæ Piperitæ, min. 10; Oleum Morrhuæ, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One tablespoonful after the two chief meals of the day.

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 12; Ferri et Quiniæ Citratæ, gr. 30; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 25; Infusi Chirætæ, fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic rheumatism with debility, &c.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, Tincturæ Iodi, aa min. 10; Aquæ Camphoræ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken three times a day. *Useful in strumous affections of the cervical glands, and some cutaneous disorders.*

R. Syrupi Ferri Iodidi, Extracti Sarsæ Liquidii, aa fl. oz. 1. Mix. Direct,—“One teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water three times a day.” *In chronic rheumatism, old-standing venereal affections, &c.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 3—8; Ferri et Ammonię Citratæ, gr. 20; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Quassię, ad fl. oz. 4. Mix. One tablespoonful three times a day. *For tuberculous children. Useful also for strumous subjects who have had ascarides.*

### 35. Iodide of Potassium and Mercury.

R. Ammonię Carbonatis, gr. 30; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 20—120; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 30; Tincturæ Chloroformi Compositæ, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Direct,—“One sixth-part three times a day—viz., at 9 A.M., 2 P.M., and 7 P.M.” At the same time,—

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Viridis, gr. 2; Extracti Opii, gr. 1; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 6. Mix, divide into two pills, and order one to be taken every night at 11 o'clock as long as the mixture is continued. *Very useful in many forms of constitutional syphilis, with sleepless nights.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 24—150; Hydrargyri Biniodidi, gr. ½; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. A sixth part to be taken twice or three times a day. *In some forms of constitutional syphilis.*

### 36. Mercury and Chalk, with Dover's Powder, &c.

R. Hydrargyri cum Cretâ, Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, aa gr. 5. Mix, and make a powder to be taken every eight or twelve hours. *In diarrhœa with unhealthy secretions, and in mild dysentery.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, Hydrargyri cum Cretâ, aa gr. 2; Magnesię Carbonatis, gr. 5. Mix, and make a powder to be taken every other night. *An alterative and aperient for children, where there is great acidity of the secretions.*

R. Hydrargyri cum Cretâ, gr. 1—2; Pulveris Rhei, Sodæ Bicarbonatis aa gr. 2—4. Mix, and make a powder to be taken every night or every other night. *An alterative and aperient for children when the stools are pale, or during feverishness attending dentition, &c.*

### 37. Cyanide of Mercury.

R. Hydrargyri Cyanidi, gr. 1; Extracti Opii, gr. 4; Extracti Conii, gr. 40. Mix thoroughly, divide into sixteen pills, and order one to be taken night and morning. *For long-standing syphilitic eruptions, ulcers, sore throats, &c.* A lotion or gargle can be used at the same time, made with six grains of the Cyanide of Mercury to a pint of water or of infusion of linseed.

38. *Tar Pills and Capsules.*

℞. Picis Liquidæ, oz. 1; Pulveris Cinnamomi Compositi, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix, divide into five-grain pills, and order two or three to be taken three times a day.

TAR CAPSULES are made, each containing about six grains of tar. Two or three may be taken for each dose, thrice daily. *In some chronic skin diseases, eczema, pruritus of the anus, and chronic catarrhal affections.*

39. *Benzoate of Ammonia.*

℞. Ammoniæ Benzoatis, gr. 10—20; Syrupi Aurantii Floris, fl. dr. 1; Aquam ad fl. drs. 12. Mix for a draught to be taken three times a day. *In chronic bronchitis, hepatic congestion with deficient urine, chronic inflammation of the bladder with alkaline urine, and in cases attended with the copious excretion of phosphates.*

40. *Creasote.*

℞. Creasoti, min. 20—40; Pulveris Cinnamomi Compositi, gr. 80; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, sufficient to form a mass. Divide into twenty pills, and order one or two to be taken three times a day. *In some forms of neuralgia, chronic bronchitis, and obstinate vomiting unconnected with inflammation or organic disease—such as sea-sickness. After taking creasote for a short time, the urine occasionally assumes a dirty or brownish-black colour. Inunction with tar may give rise to the same effect.*

In the official MISTURA CREASOTI the unpleasant flavour is tolerably well disguised by the Spirit of Juniper. Dose of the mixture, fl. oz. 1—2. See F. 90.

41. *Bromide of Potassium.*

℞. Potassii Bromidi, gr. 20—40; Aquæ Camphoræ, fl. oz. 3. Mix for a draught, to be taken every night at bedtime. *For insomnia without any apparent cause, epileptic and epileptoid seizures, paroxysmal vertigo and headache, &c.*

℞. Potassi Bromidi, gr. 60—150; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 12; Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 40; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Auranti Compositi, ad. fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part, on an empty stomach, night and morning. *The favourite remedy for epilepsy (1865).*

℞. Potassii Bromidi, gr. 30—60; Tincturæ Valerianæ Ammoniatæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Camphoræ, vel Infusum Chiratæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In hysteria, insomnia due to nervous irritability, functional disturbance of the uterine functions, spermatorrhæa from bad habits, &c.*

℞. Pulveris Guaiaci, gr. 40; Potassii Bromidi, gr. 30; Magnesiæ Carbonatis, gr. 60. Mix. Divide into six powders, and order one to be taken three times a day in a little mucilage, or cream, or honey. *Useful in cases where it is required to exert a sedative action on the sexual organs.*

42. *Bromide of Ammonium.*

℞. Ammonii Bromidi, gr. 12—60; Infusi Auranti, fl. oz. 8. Mix.



Direct,—“One-sixth part to be taken three times a day, an hour before meals.” *In epilepsy, nervous irritability, insomnia, &c.*

It is said to facilitate laryngoscopic examination by diminishing the sensibility of the soft palate.

*R.* Ammonii Bromidi, gr. 24; Aquæ, fl. oz. 2. *Mix.* One teaspoonful in a small cup of sweetened tea three times a day. *For an infant with whooping cough.*

#### 43. *Guaiacum Mixtures.*

*R.* Tincturæ Guaiaci Ammoniatæ, fl. drs. 4; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 30; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, Aquæ Cinnamomi, aa fl. oz. 4. *Mix.* Two tablespoonfuls twice or three times a day. *In the chronic rheumatism of old and weak people. Also in some skin diseases where there is a strumous taint.*

*R.* Extractii Opii Liquidii, min. 30; Tincturæ Quinise, fl. drs. 6; Misturam Guaiaci, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic skin diseases. Guaiacum has also been highly extolled in tonsillitis, but for this is best taken in lozenges.*

*R.* Sulphuris Sublimatæ, oz. 2; Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, oz. 1; Pulveris Rhei, gr. 120; Guaiaci Resinæ, gr. 60; Mellis, lb. 1; Myristicam, unam in pulverem redactam. *Mix* thoroughly, and order two teaspoonfuls to be taken night and morning until the whole is consumed. *This compound was formerly in much repute for the cure of chronic rheumatism; being said to be especially useful in old-standing cases, when the skin is inactive and the intestinal glands, &c., torpid. It was well known under the name of the “Chelsea Pensioner.”*

*R.* Tincturæ Nucis Vomice, min. 9; Extracti Cinchonæ Flavæ Liquidii, min. 80; Misturæ Guaiaci, fl. oz. 12. *Mix.* One-eighth part twice a day. *In habitual constipation from a sluggish condition of the intestinal walls.*

#### 44. *Quinine and Ipecacuanha, or Belladonna.*

*R.* Quinise Sulphatis, gr. 8; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 24; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, gr. 30; Glycerini, sufficient to form a mass. Divide into sixteen pills, and order two to be taken every three or four hours. *In subacute dysentery, occurring in tropical regions. See F. 384.*

*R.* Quinise Sulphatis, gr. 2; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{3}$ ; Extracti Opii, gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ —1; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 2. Make a pill to be taken every six or eight hours. *In neuralgia, severe pruritus of the vulva, carcinoma, &c. See F. 383.*

#### 45. *Chloride of Calcium, &c.*

*R.* Calci Chloridi, gr. 200; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 4; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. drs. 12; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. *Mix* and label,—“One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day,—at 10 A.M., 4 P.M., and bedtime.” *In fibroid tumours of the uterus, when they are painful or cause much sense of weight and backache. Also, in bronchocele, enlargement of cervical glands, scrofula, &c.*

*R.* Calci Chloridi, gr. 300; Succo Conii, fl. oz. 3; Glycerini puri et Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. oz. 1. *Mix* and label,—“One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day.”

46. *Colchicum, &c.*

*R.* Hydrargyri Subchloridi, Extracti Colchici Acetici, Extracti Aloes Barbadosensis, Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ,  $\text{āā}$  gr. 1. Make a pill, to be taken every four hours until the bowels are well acted upon. *In gout with congestion of the liver.*

*R.* Extracti Colchici Acetici, Extracti Aconiti,  $\text{āā}$  gr. 1; Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 3. Make a pill, to be taken every night at bedtime. *In gout, with deficient action of the liver.*

*R.* Potassæ Citratis, gr. 120; Vini Colchici, fl. drs. 1—2; Liquoris Morphicæ Hydrochloratis, fl. dr. 1; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In some forms of gout, where there is great restlessness with but little constitutional depression.*

*R.* Spiritus Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 6; Vini Colchici, fl. drs. 2—4; Tincturæ Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. Direct,—“One teaspoonful in half a bottle of soda water, three times a day.”

47. *Oxide of Silver.*

*R.* Argenti Oxidi, gr. 1—2; Pulveris Aromatici, gr. 2; Extracti Cannabis Indicæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Glycerini, sufficient to make a pill. To be taken three times a day. *Of doubtful efficacy in dyspepsia, pyrosis, hæmoptysis, menorrhagia, diarrhœa, &c.* One-third of a grain of Extract of Opium can be added to each pill, if needed.

48. *Sulphurous Acid.*

*R.* Acidi Sulphurosi, min. 30—fl. dr. 1; Aquæ, oz. 2. Mix for a draught, to be taken every two or three or four hours. *In ichoræmia, diphtheria, malignant scarlet fever, typhus, &c.*

*R.* Sodæ Sulphitis, gr. 30—60; Infusi Quassię, fl. oz. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix, and make a draught to be taken three times a day. SIR WILLIAM JENNER. *In diseases of the stomach, accompanied by the formation of the sarcinæ ventriculi. The patient should eat unfermented bread while taking this medicine.*

The SULPHITE OF MAGNESIA may be given in doses varying from 20 to 40 grains, dissolved in one or two ounces of water, every two or three or four hours, with the object of neutralizing blood poisons. It is richer in sulphurous acid than the sulphite of soda, is more stable, and has a much more agreeable taste. This salt has been strongly recommended by DR. POLLI, of Milan, in cases of pyæmia, typhus, puerperal fever, hospital gangrene, dissecting wounds, glanders, cholera, &c.

49. *Benzoic Acid.*

*R.* Acidi Benzoici, gr. 3—20; Glycerini, sufficient to form one or more pills. *This remedy is said to be useful in jaundice from suppressed action of the liver. It has also been recommended in catarrh of the bladder*

50. *Turpentine Mixtures.*

*R.* Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. dr. 1—3; Syrupi Scillæ vel Syrupi Tolutani, 7. oz. 1; Tincturæ Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginem, ad fl. 8. Mix. A dessertspoonful to be taken three or four times a day. *Useful in chronic bronchitis with profuse muco-purulent expectoration.*

*R.* Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. oz. 1; Vitelli Unius Ovi; beat together and add gradually Misturæ Amigdalæ, fl. oz. 4; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. oz. 2; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. drs. 4; Olei Cinnamomi, guttæ 4. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken three times a day. *CARMICHAEL.* Recommended in iritis, where the use of mercury is contra-indicated.

*R.* Spiritûs Ætheris, fl. drs. 2; Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. drs. 1½; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. oz. 3; Aquam Cinnamomi, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Direct,—“One-sixth part three times a day.” To prevent the formation of gall-stones, or to aid in dissolving them. The utility of this mixture is doubtful.

*R.* Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. drs. 1½—3; Syrupi Limonis, fl. drs. 6; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Direct,—“One-sixth part every four or six hours.” Useful in some forms of hæmatemesis, hæmoptysis, epistaxis, purpura hæmorrhagica, &c. Its effects must be watched, so that it may be discontinued directly any unpleasant results—such as strangury or severe vomiting—arise. If the symptoms are very urgent the first dose of the turpentine may consist of fl. drs. 4—6, beaten up with mucilage; the succeeding doses being according to the formula. In some cases the turpentine may be advantageously given with gallic acid, or the tincture of the perchloride of iron, or with the acid infusion of roses, or with the dilute nitric acid. A drop of creasote with each dose materially lessens its tendency to cause nausea.

*R.* Terebinthinæ Chiæ, gr. 2; Pulveris Rheii, gr. 3; Saponis duri, sufficient to make a pill. To be taken twice a day. See also F. 102.

*R.* Terebinthinæ Chiæ, gr. 6; Sulphuris Sublimati, gr. 4. Make two pills, to be taken every four hours.

*R.* Terebinthinæ Chiæ, drs. 1; Ætheris fl. drs. 2. Dissolve and add Sulphuris Sublimati, gr. 20; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 2; Syrupi, fl. dr. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Two tablespoonfuls three times a day.

*Chian Turpentine has been recommended by Mr. Clay, of Birmingham, as a cure for uterine cancer. Other observers have not been successful with this remedy. The genuine drug is not easily obtained.*

### 51. Donovan's Triple Solution.

*R.* Liquoris Hydriodatis Arsenici et Hydrargyri, min. 20—30; Tincturæ Zingiberis, fl. drn. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken twice a day, directly after meals. Useful in secondary syphilis, psoriasis, &c.

### 52. Arsenical Mixtures.

*R.* Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 3; Tincturæ Lupuli, min. 30; Infusi Quassiæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken three times a day, directly after meals. Very useful in many obstinate cutaneous diseases. In ague the quantity of arsenic must be trebled. Under any circumstances, the dose should be diminished directly the tongue gets thoroughly coated with a silvery-looking fur, or the conjunctivæ become irritable, or diarrhœa sets in, or gastric pain is complained of.

*R.* Liquoris Sodæ Arseniatis, min. 3—5; Vini Colchici, min. 10; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Compositæ, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 5

Aquam ad fl. oz. 1. Mix. To be taken three times a day, directly after meals. *In some forms of chronic rheumatism, &c.*

R. Quinæ Sulphatis, gr. 20; Liquoris Arsenici Hydrochlorici, min. 90—130; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Syrupum Zingiberis, ad fl. oz. 3. Mix. Label,—“One teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water directly after breakfast, dinner, and tea.”—*In severe neuralgia, chorea, chronic rheumatism, asthma, hay fever, and intermittent fever.* See F. 381, 399.

R. Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 30; Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. drs. 6; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 18—30; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part directly after the two chief meals. *Valuable in some inveterate cutaneous diseases, as lupus, eczema, psoriasis, &c.*

R. Liquoris Sodæ Arseniatis, fl. drs. 1½; Succus Scoparii, fl. oz. 3. Mix. One teaspoonful three times a day, in a wineglassful of water. *In some cases of dropsy from chronic renal disease.*

R. Acidi Arseniosi, gr. 1; Pulveris Zingiberis, gr. 40; Extracti Jalapæ, gr. 20; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 30; Confectionis Rosæ Caninæ, gr. 10. Mix very intimately, divide into twenty pills, and order one to be taken three times a day, immediately after meals. *In psoriasis, chronic eczema, and other cases where it is desirable to administer arsenic in a solid form.*

### 53. Green Iodide of Mercury.

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Viridis, gr. 12; Extracti Lupuli, gr. 60; Extracti Opii, gr. 2—5. Mix. Divide into twenty-four pills, silver them, and order one to be taken three or four times in the day.—*The green iodide of mercury (Syn. IODIDE OF MERCURY) will cure some of the pustular and tubercular diseases of the skin, as well as certain secondary venereal ulcerations, when all other means fail.* See F. 33.

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Viridis, gr. 6; Extracti Conii, gr. 30. Mix. Divide into six pills, and order one to be taken every night at bedtime. *In small secondary syphilitic ulcers about the tongue.*

### 54. Red Iodide of Mercury.

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Rubri, gr. 1—2; Morphine Hydrochloratis, gr. 1; Extracti Gentianæ, *vel* Extracti Conii, gr. 40. Mix. Divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken twice a day. Four or six ounces of the Compound Decoction of Sarsaparilla may be taken with each pill, or an ounce of the Guaiac Mixture. *Useful in the same cases as demand the green iodide of mercury.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 1; Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 30; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 40; Extracti Sarsæ Liquidum, fl. oz. 4; Decoctum Sarsæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix and label,—“One small tablespoonful (or one-sixteenth part) in a wineglassful of water three times a day.” *This formula gives a convenient extemporaneous mode of exhibiting the red iodide of mercury in a fluid form.*

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Rubri, gr. 3; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 60—120; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. dr. 1; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 4; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. drs. 12. Mix. Label,—“Thirty drops three times a day

in a wineglassful of water." MR. LANGSTON PARKER says that this remedy, used in conjunction with the mercurial vapour bath, produces excellent results in some obstinate forms of tubercular disease of the skin; as well as in secondary venereal ulcerations, proving intractable after the employment of other remedies.

### 55. Red Iodide of Mercury and Arsenic.

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Rubri, gr. 1; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 120; Liquoris Arsenicalis, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 2; Spiritûs Chloroformi, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 12. Mix; and direct,—“One tablespoonful to be taken three times a day, immediately after food.”—In psoriasis, and some inveterate squamous and tubercular and ulcerous affections of the skin.

### 56. Iridin and Euonymin.

R. Iridin, gr. 4; Confection of Roses, sufficient to make a pill. To be taken at bedtime occasionally.

R. Euonymin, gr. 2; Confection of Roses, sufficient to make a pill.

*Iridin and Euonymin are recommended by PROF. RUTHERFORD, of Edinburgh, as very effective remedies for biliousness. A dose of Pillna water or other saline aperient should be taken early next morning.*

### 57. Hydrastis.

R. Tincturæ Hydrastis, fl. drs. 2—4; Aquæ destillatæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls three or four times daily.

*Useful for constipation referable to a sluggish liver. DR. RUTHERFORD has shown that the resinous “hydrastin” obtained from the root of hydrastis is a powerful stimulant of the liver. Hydrastis is useful also for piles and prolapsus ani. It is a stomachic tonic, and relieves the gastric catarrh of chronic alcoholism. It has been of service in intermittent fever.*

### 58. Sulphide of Calcium.

R. Calcii Sulphidi, gr. ʒ. — ½; Sacchari Lactis, gr. 1. Make a powder. To be taken every two or three hours.

*A very useful remedy for slow suppuration, boils, scrofulous sores, and enlarged glands.*

### 59. Nitrate of Silver.

R. Argenti Nitratis, gr. 1; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 3. Make a pill. To be taken every twelve hours, on an empty stomach, for about ten days. In cases of idiopathic jaundice dependent upon gastro-duodenal disturbance rather than on disease of the liver.

R. Argenti Nitratis, gr. 3—12; Micæ panis, gr. 30. Divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. In progressive locomotor ataxy, &c. See F. 419. The gums should be watched, as the gingival mucous membrane becomes discoloured before the skin is affected. There is consequently time to prevent the latter by discontinuing the silver salt.

60. *Chloride of Ammonium.*

R. Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 80—100; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Infusi Gentianæ Compositi, fl. oz. 7. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every six hours. *In some forms of chronic rheumatism, chronic bronchitis, pleurodynia, myalgia, neuralgia, &c.*

R. Liquoris Ammoniae Acetatis, fl. drs. 2—4; Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 15; Infusi Dulcamaræ, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught to be taken every four hours. *In some varieties of rheumatism, phlegmasia dolens, thrombosis, &c., where the fibrin of the blood is in excess.* The efficacy of this remedy is increased by giving 120 or 200 grains of the Acid Tartrate of Potash (Syn. BITARTRATE OF POTASH) in half a pint of water, early in the morning.

R. Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 20; Extracti Taraxaci, gr. 15; Tincturæ Gentianæ Compositæ, fl. dr. 1; Infusi Sennæ, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught, to be taken twice or thrice daily. *In some cases of ascites dependent on cirrhosis, in jaundice, in diminished secretion of bile, &c.*

61. *Chlorate of Potash.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 120; Aquæ Camphoræ, *vel* Infusi Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four or six hours, with two tablespoonfuls of water. *In inflammatory affections of the mouth, &c.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 90; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Chirætæ, ad fl. oz. 4. Direct,—“One tablespoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day.”—*In tonsillitis, glossitis, &c.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 120. Label,—“This powder to be dissolved in one or two pints of lemonade, or of barley water, to form a day's drink.” *In cases of aphthæ, fever, blood-poisoning, sloughing of any of the tissues, ovarian disease, &c.*

## III. ANTACIDS.

62. *Carbonate of Magnesia.*

R. Magnesiae Carbonatis, gr. 80; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 30; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Aquam Menthæ Viridis, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-fourth part occasionally. *Useful where there is much oppression from flatulence.*

R. Magnesiae Carbonatis, Sodæ Bicarbonatis, aa gr. 15; Infusi Serpentariæ, fl. drs. 12. Make a draught, to be taken twice or thrice daily. *In chronic urticaria.*

63. *Ammonia and Chiretta or Gentian.*

R. Ammoniae Carbonatis, gr. 5; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. dr. 1; Infusi Chirætæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken night and morning. *A good remedy in dyspepsia, with acid eructations and debility.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 120; Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Zingiberis, fl. dr. 1; Infusum Gentianæ Compositi, ad fl.

oz. 8. A sixth part to be taken three times a day. *Useful in dyspepsia with acidity.*

#### 64. Preparations of Lithia.

*R.* Lithiæ Carbonatis, gr. 3—6; Aquæ, fl. oz. 3. Make a draught to be taken twice a day. *DR. GARROD speaks highly of this remedy in cases of the uric acid diathesis and in chronic gout. Where uric acid gravel is being voided, it causes a marked improvement. The carbonate of lithia exists in many of the continental springs—as those of Carlsbad, Marienbad Kreuznach, Aix-la-Chapelle, Kissingen, Ems, Vichy, Baden-Baden, &c.*

*R.* Lithiæ Citratis, gr. 60; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. drs. 10. Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 2. *Mix.*—"One teaspoonful in a tumblerful of soda water every morning before breakfast." *In the gouty diathesis. To ward off attacks.*

*R.* Lithiæ Citratis, Magnesiæ Carbonatis,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  gr. 10. Make a powder to be taken twice daily. *In chronic gout.*

#### 65. Bismuth, with Magnesia or Soda.

*R.* Bismuthi Carbonatis, Magnesiæ Carbonatis,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  gr. 10. Make a powder to be taken in half a bottle of soda water three times a day.

*R.* Bismuthi Subnitratis, gr. 15; Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 12; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 60. Make a powder, to be taken twice or thrice in the twenty-four hours, in a wineglassful of brandy and water.

*R.* Bismuthi Subnitratis, gr. 120; Magnesiæ Carbonatis, gr. 60; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 18—30; Pulveris Tragacanthæ, Compositi, gr. 90; Tincturæ Calumbæ, fl. drs. 3—6; Aquam ad fl. oz. 6. *Mix.* A tablespoonful to be taken three times a day half an hour before food. *Useful in flatulent dyspepsia with gastralgia.*

*R.* Liquoris Bismuthi et Ammonię Citratis, fl. dr. 1; Infusi Quassiæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught to be taken three times a day. *These preparations are very useful in pyrosis, gastrodynia, acid eructations, nausea and sickness, and many diseases of the stomach, cæcum, &c. See also F. 112.*

*R.* Bismuthi Subnitratis, gr. 720; Magnesiæ Carbonatis, oz. 2; Calcis Carbonatis Præcipitati, oz. 3; Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 1800; Sacchari Albi, oz. 14; Acaciæ Gummi, gr. 220; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Rosæ, sufficient to make a mass. Divide into 360 lozenges, and dry them with a moderate heat.

Each lozenge contains two grains of subnitrate of bismuth, two and a half grains of magnesia, and five grains of bicarbonate of soda. From one to six lozenges may be taken for dose. They check heartburn and acrid eructations better than the officinal bismuth lozenges.

#### 66. *Chall's Mixture and Hops.*

*R.* Tincturæ Lupuli, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 4; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Extracti Opii Liquidi, min. 25; Misturam Cretæ, ad fl. oz. 6. *Mix.* One tablespoonful every three or four hours. *In diarrhœa due to acidity of the primæ viæ.*

67. *Potash and Ammonia.*

R. Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 120 ; Spiritûs Ammonisæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 3 ; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 30 ; Infusum Lupuli, ad fl. oz. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In gastrodynia.*

68. *Ammonia, Potash, and Bark.*

R. Ammonisæ Carbonatis, gr. 30 ; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 90 ; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 30 ; Decocti Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility with acid secretions.*

69. *Solution of Potash and Buchu.*

R. Liquoris Potassæ, min. 10—15 ; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, min. 40 ; Infusi Buchu, fl. drs. 12. Make a draught to be taken three times a day. *In catarrh and irritability of the bladder.*

70. *Soda, Morphia, and Dilute Hydrocyanic Acid.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 15 ; Liquoris Morphisæ Hydrochloratis, min. 15 ; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 5 ; Infusi Cascariillæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken immediately. *In gastrodynia, &c., after the stomach has been emptied by an emetic. In angina pectoris, immediately after a paroxysm.*

71. *Potash and Aloes.*

R. Potassæ Bicarbonatis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$  ; Tincturæ Chiratis, fl. drs. 2 ; Decocti Aloes Compositi, fl. oz. 8. Mix. Take one-sixth part early every morning. *In chronic gout.*

72. *Bicarbonate of Potash.*

R. Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 30 ; Aquæ, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught, to be taken every two hours. *In acute rheumatism. This medicine to be continued until the joints are free from pain. It generally renders the urine alkaline in twenty-four hours.*

R. Potassæ Bicarbonatis, oz. 1 ; Tincturæ Gentianæ Compositæ, fl. dr. 2 ; Aquæ, fl. oz. 12. Mix. One-twelfth part to be taken every two hours with a tablespoonful of lemon-juice, or 15 grains of citric acid. *Another way of carrying out the alkaline treatment of rheumatism. A grain of quinine may be given with each dose, dissolved in the lemon-juice or acid solution.*

73. *Potash and Lime Water.*

R. Liquoris Potassæ, min. 15—45 ; Liquoris Calcis Saccharati, min. 20—60. Mix. To be taken in a cupful of beef tea, or of milk, two or three times a day. See F. 14.

## IV. ANTISEPTICS.

*Disinfectants or Deodorants.*

The most useful agents are—chloride of lime, quick lime, carbolic acid, the carbolates of lime and magnesia, permanganate of potash, chloralum,



terebene, and "sanitas." In certain cases the perchloride of iron, sulphate of iron, ammonia, iodine, bromine, nitrate of lead, and chloride of zinc are applicable; or chlorine gas; or sulphurous acid gas (obtained by sprinkling powdered sulphur on a few bright red coals in a shovel, or by burning part of a stick of sulphur in a crucible or in a pipkin), may be employed; or powdered charcoal, or dry earth, can be tried.

No nightstools or bedpans should be used, especially in hospitals, without their containing the solution of permanganate of potash, or of carbolic acid, or some chloride of lime, or chloride of zinc. The first agent has the advantage of not being corrosive; but the last is one of the most efficacious.—To remove quickly any unpleasant smell from the sick-room, dried lavender or cascarilla bark may be burnt; while the door and window must be opened, so as to allow of a free current of pure air.

To disinfect linen and washing apparel they should be soaked in a mixture of two ounces of the solution of permanganate of potash to the gallon of water; being afterwards put into boiling water. Woollens, bedding, or clothing may be thoroughly purified by exposing them for about two hours, in an oven to a temperature of 220° F.

#### 74. LISTER'S *Antiseptic Methods and Preparations.*

The striking results obtained by LISTER'S Antiseptic treatment in surgical operations make it important that it should be generally understood.

The agents employed are Carbolic, Boracic, and Salicylic Acids, chiefly the first, and the process is based upon the supposition that particles capable of setting up septic change are everywhere present. The skin of the part to be operated upon is thoroughly washed with a 5 per cent. solution of carbolic acid, and all instruments and all sponges are kept in a similar solution. The hands of the operator and his assistants are washed in a 2½ per cent. carbolic solution, special care being taken to purify the folds of skin about the nails. Before and during the operation, a cloud of spray containing carbolic acid is directed upon the part. A 2½ per cent. solution (one in forty) is used for this purpose, if the hand-spray instrument be employed; but with the steam-spray a 5 per cent. carbolic lotion must be used, because the steam diminishes the strength. All instruments must be taken out of the lotion in which they lie under the protection of the spray, and if laid down they must be placed on a towel previously soaked with 1 in 20 carbolic lotion, and lying in the line of the spray. If the surgeon's hands or an instrument be removed from the spray they must be purified by being dipped into 1 in 40 carbolic solution before they are again brought into contact with the wound.

If an unpurified finger or instrument have touched the wound, it must at once be washed out with 1 in 40 solution.

Carbolized catgut ligatures and sutures are to be employed, and free escape of discharge is to be provided for by drainage-tubes of red india-rubber, which have been kept in 1 in 20 carbolic solution, and are removed from this solution directly into the spray.

A piece of rag soaked in carbolic lotion should be constantly at hand, which is to be thrown over the wound in case of any failure of the spray.

For dressings carbolized gauze is used, prepared by saturating gauze with a mixture of carbolic acid, paraffin, and resin in a closed hot-box

or chamber. Over the wound is placed "protective" thin oiled silk, previously dipped in 1 in 40 carbolic solution. The object of the protective is to avoid the irritating contact of the carbolic acid of the dressings. Over the protective is applied a piece of wet carbolic gauze, consisting of several layers of loose gauze, which has been soaking for some time in the 1 in 40 solution. The wet gauze must overlap the protective in all directions. Any remaining hollow is filled with loose gauze, and outside the whole a gauze dressing is fixed, consisting of a piece of carbolic gauze, of suitable size, folded in eight layers, and having beneath the outermost layer a piece of mackintosh, with the india-rubber side inwards. The object of this is to prevent the discharges from soaking straight through, and to compel them to travel in the gauze to the margin of the dressing. The whole is to be carefully secured by a gauze bandage, and when this is accomplished, the spray may be stopped. Then around the edge of the dressing an elastic bandage is applied, so as to keep the edge constantly in contact with the body, and to allow no interval to occur between the dressing and the skin during the movements of the patient. The elastic is carefully fixed to the edge of the dressing by safety pins; care must be taken that there are no pin-holes in the mackintosh except around the edges.

The precautions during the operation protect the wound from septic particles in the air or on the instruments. Then the dressing being applied, the heat of the body volatilizes the carbolic acid contained in the gauze, which forms an antiseptic atmosphere between it and the skin, and prevents putrefaction of the discharges.

A joint is freely laid open and explored with the finger, or a large psoas abscess is incised and drained by tubes without any fear of fever being set-up. When an abscess has been opened the discharge in a few days becomes serous in character and scanty in amount, but the greatest care is required in these cases.

The subsequent dressings should be performed under the spray, and with precautions somewhat similar to those adopted during the operation itself.

When a wound, or a compound fracture, has been exposed to air or to other septic contamination, the wound must be carefully washed out with 1 in 20 carbolic lotion, injected into all its recesses by a syringe with a catheter attached to it. If dirt be ground into the tissue it must be cleaned away by a nail brush. This cleansing must be effected under the spray, and an antiseptic dressing applied as above directed.

#### 75. Chlorine Gas.

As a fumigating agent, antiseptic, and disinfectant chlorine stands unrivalled. The ingredients for producing it should be contained in saucers placed in the higher parts of the room, as the gas which is developed will descend by its density, and soon become mixed with the surrounding air. DR. FARADAY adopted the following method at the Millbank Penitentiary:—One part of common salt was intimately mixed with one part of the black or binoxide of manganese, and placed in a shallow earthen pan; two parts of oil of vitriol previously diluted with two parts by measure of water, were then poured over it, and the whole stirred with a stick. Chlorine continued to be liberated from *this mixture* for four days.

*Another plan for causing the free evolution of chlorine gas is the*

Addition of half a pint of hydrochloric acid, mixed with a quarter of a pint of water, to a quarter of a pound of finely powdered black oxide of manganese. Or the gas may be generated by dropping a few grains of chlorate of potash, every now and then, into a glass containing some strong hydrochloric acid. Whichever mode is adopted for producing this disinfectant, it is necessary while employing it that the doors, windows, and chimney of the room be kept carefully closed for some hours.

The chlorides of Lime and Soda, when exposed to the air, gradually absorb carbonic acid and give off chloride. Hence either of these salts can be used as disinfecting agents. Cloths, dipped in an aqueous solution of chloride of lime, may be hung up in an inhabited room to fumigate it; the quantity of chlorine given off being too small to be mischievous. It was probably in reference to these salts, that ABERNETHY said of disinfectants,—“they are sometimes very useful, very useful indeed; for they make such an abominable stink that the patient is obliged to have the windows opened.”

#### 76. *Solution of Chlorinated Soda.*

℞. *Liquoris Sodæ Chloratæ*, min. 40—120; *Extracti Opii Liquidi*, min. 30; *Aquæ Camphoræ*, fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* Two tablespoonfuls three times a day. *In gangrene of the lung, low fever, &c. It not only relieves the fetor, but acts as an alterative, &c. If necessary, the opium can be omitted.*

#### 77. *To Prepare Chlorine for Internal Administration.*

Put sixty grains of finely powdered chlorate of potash in a strong pint bottle, and pour upon them two drachms of strong hydrochloric acid. Close the mouth of the bottle until the violent action ceases, when gently add one ounce of water, and agitate well; add another ounce, again shake, and continue this process until the bottle is full. Afterwards keep the bottle in the dark. The mixture is to be made fresh every day. One or two tablespoonfuls may be taken frequently, according to the age. An adult may use the whole pint in the twenty-four hours.

The dose of the official LIQUOR CHLORI is from min. 30 to fl. drs. 2 in a wineglassful of water, several times daily. *Useful in scarlet fever typhus, diphtheria, chronic affections of the liver, &c.*

#### 78. *Permanganate of Potash.*

The permanganate of potash is an excellent disinfectant, and is the basis of CONDY'S Antiseptic Fluid. The latter is double the strength of the official LIQUOR POTASSÆ PERMANGANATIS.

From 1—6 fl. drs. of the solution of permanganate of potash in one pint of water, may be applied to all kinds of suppurating sores. Such a lotion may be employed with great benefit to destroy the horribly offensive odour of a malignant ulcer; or for the same purpose in suppurating scalds and burns. The solution should be made only of such strength, as to be borne without any pain or even uneasiness. It must be frequently syringed over the sores, since contact with lint and sponges decompose it. Linen is stained by it. As a wash for stinking

feet, or for the removal of offensive odours from the hands after handling morbid specimens, &c., the liquor ought to be used in the proportion of one fluid drachm to the ounce of distilled water. As an injection in cancer of the uterus, the strength ought not to be greater than half a fluid ounce to one pint of water. To deprive night-chairs of offensive odour, a wineglassful of CONDY'S fluid should be mixed with two pints of fresh or salt water, and put into the pan previous to its use.

### 79. Chloride of Zinc.

This substance is a most powerful caustic, which has long been used to destroy cancerous and other growths. It has been administered internally—dose, gr. 1, largely diluted—but without any benefit. It forms, however, a valuable disinfectant gargle—gr. 10 to water fl. oz. 8; or in still larger proportions it is a most efficacious antiseptic. SIR W. BURNETT'S Disinfecting Fluid consists of gr. 25 of this salt to water fl. dr. 1. For use, about one ounce of this solution is added to two pints of water. To disinfect a sick-room, a piece of flannel three or four feet square is to be moistened with a solution thus made, and frequently waved through the air, or it may be diffused in the form of spray. Some of it should also be placed in the close-stools and bedpans.

### 80. Chlorinated Lime Lozenges.

R. Calcis Chloratæ, gr. 60; Sacchari Albi, oz. 4; Amyli, oz. 1; Olei Menthæ Piperitæ, fl. dr. 1; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 120; Aquæ Menthæ Piperitæ, sufficient to form a mass. To be divided into lozenges of twenty grains each. *One may be taken frequently to remove fetor of the breath, whether due to mercury or other causes. The official TROCHISCI POTASSÆ CHLORATIS can also be used for the same purpose.*

### 81. Iodine.

This agent has been recommended for disinfected and deodorizing purposes by WYNN WILLIAMS, CAMPBELL DE MORGAN, NUNN, and RICHARDSON. Two hundred grains are placed in a common chip box and suspended over the patient's bed, or they may be put into a cup or saucer on the mantelshelf. If desired, the metal may be at once volatilized and the vapour diffused through the apartment, by placing it on a heated saucer. In rooms occupied by small-pox patients the air may be kept free from smell by using iodine in this manner,—probably the strongest proof which could be adduced of the value of this simple and manageable remedy.

R. Tincturæ Iodi, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Destillatæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix. Useful as a lotion to unhealthy ulcerations with offensive discharges.*

### 82. Extract of Logwood.

R. Extracti Hæmatoxyli, oz. 1; Olei Theobromæ, Adipis Benzoati, ʒʒ oz. ½. *Mix. This is an excellent disinfectant when applied to malignant sores or suppurating wounds. The remedy is equally efficacious when used as a lotion or powder. If any hæmstatic be needed, the logwood may be combined with tannin or perchloride of iron.*

83. *Sulphurous Acid and Quinine.*

R. Acidi Sulphurosi, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Chloroformi Compositæ, min. 90; Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 12—18; Aquam, ad. fl. oz. 6. Mix and label,—“One-sixth part, with two tablespoonfuls of water, every six or eight hours.” *In pyæmia, erysipelas, glanders, typhus, dissecting wounds, &c.*

83a. *Sulphocarbonate of Soda.*

R. Sodæ Sulphocarbonatis, drs. 2; Extracti Cinchonæ Liquidii, fl. drms. 1; Aquam ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls three times daily, a quarter of an hour before food. *In fermentative dyspepsia, flatulence, sarcinæ, &c.* The sulphocarbonate said also to have been found useful in scarlet fever.

84. *Lavender and Camphor.*

R. Spiritûs Camphoræ, min. 20; Spiritûs Lavandulæ, fl. drms. 1; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. drs. 7. Make a draught. *To be taken every six or eight hours by a nervous attendant in a sick room.*

## V. ANTISPASMODICS.

85. *Ether Mixtures.*

R. Spiritûs Ætheris, min. 40—fl. drms. 1; Extracti Opii Liquidii, min. 10—15; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. drs. 12. Make a draught. *To be taken occasionally (especially at bedtime) when there are paroxysms of pain from structural disease.*

R. Spiritûs Ætheris, Spiritûs Chloroformi, sâ fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Spiritûs Myristicæ, fl. drs. 2; Olei Carui, min. 12; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 3; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two or three tablespoonfuls occasionally, when there is great oppression from flatulence.

R. Spiritûs Ætheris, min. 90; Spiritûs Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, min. 30; Tincturæ Chloroformi Compositæ, min. 40; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 4. Mix. Label,—“Two tablespoonfuls every half-hour until the pain is relieved.” *In spasmodic diseases, angina pectoris, &c.*

85a. *Nitrite of Amyl.*

*Nitrite of amyl causes great but transitory relaxation of the arterioles, especially of those of the head and face. Cautiously inhaled, it is often of the greatest service in relieving angina pectoris. Thin glass capsules, each containing a few drops of the nitrite, may be obtained, one of which may be crushed in a handkerchief for each inhalation. Nitrite of amyl is useful in cardiac distress, in chloroform-apnœa, and occasionally in asthma. A freshly-prepared specimen of the drug should always be used.*

R. Amyl Nitritis, min. 2; Spiritûs Rectificati, fl. dr. 1. From three to eight drops to be taken on sugar every three hours. *Recommended by DR. RINGER for the “flushings” of the climacteric period.*

## 85b. Nitro-glycerine.

*Nitro-glycerine causes great relaxation of the arterioles. Its action is somewhat slower than that of nitrite of amyl, but it is more permanent. It may be obtained in the form of a one-per cent. alcoholic solution. Of this the dose is one drop (or for a delicate woman half a drop) every two or three hours, or as often as necessary. Tablets made of chocolate paste, and containing each gr.  $\frac{1}{16}$  may also be obtained. Nitro-glycerine is most useful in relieving and in averting angina pectoris. It is also highly recommended for many symptoms associated with increased arterial tension, and chronic renal disease, for asthma, acute nephritis, and for migraine and neuralgia. Occasionally it produces so much headache that its use has to be discontinued.*

## 86. Ammonia Mixtures.

R. Spiritus Ammonia Aromatici, fl. drm. 1; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 3—5; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drm. 1; Aquæ Carui, fl. dra. 10. Make a draught, to be taken twice or thrice a day if there be flatulence or languor. *In dyspepsia, or debility with irritable stomach.* See F. 67, 68.

R. Tincturæ Assafoetida, fl. drs. 2; Ammonia Carbonatis, gr. 20; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 4. Mix. One or two tablespoonfuls occasionally, when the patient is feeling languid or hysterical.

R. Spiritus Ammonia Aromatici, min. 30; Magnesiae Carbonatis, gr. 20; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drm. 1; Aquam Mentha Piperita, ad fl. drs. 12. Make a draught. To be taken occasionally. *In severe colic.*

R. Spiritus Ammonia Aromatici, min. 75; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drm. 1; Tincturæ Belladonna, min. 12; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 8; Syrupum, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. One teaspoonful in the same quantity of water every four hours. *For a child two years old with whooping cough.*

## 87. Valerian Draught.

R. Tincturæ Valerianæ Ammoniatæ, min. 40; Infusi Valerianæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken occasionally. *In hysteria.*

## 88. Lobelia, Ether, &amp;c.

R. Tincturæ Lobelia Ætheræ, fl. drs. 8; Vini Ipecacuanha, fl. drs. 3; Misturam Ammoniaci, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every six hours. *In the dyspnoea of asthma, when there is vesicular emphysema.*

## 88a. Grindelia.

*The liquid extract of Grindelia robusta, prepared by Mr. Martindale, of New Cavendish Street, is recommended by DR. RINGER for the treatment of the paroxysms of asthma. Twenty to thirty minims should be given every hour or half-hour.*

## 89. Assafoetida and Chiretta.

R. Tincturæ Assafoetida, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Ammonia Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Chirata, fl. drs. 7. Mix. Direct,—“Sixty drops in

wineglassful of water every two or three hours, until the paroxysms cease.' *In hysteria.*

90. *Aconite and Creasote.*

R. Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 45; Misturæ Creasoti, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some cases of obstinate sickness, such as occurs during pregnancy and in hysteria.* See F. 41.

91. *Nitric Acid Mixture.*

R. Acidi Nitrici Diluti, fl. drs. 12; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi, fl. oz. 3½; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. One or two small teaspoonfuls every two hours. *In whooping cough. This formula was recommended by SIR G. D. GIBB.*

92. *Sulphate of Zinc and Belladonna.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 8; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 2; Aquæ, fl. oz. 4. Mix. Half an ounce four times a day. DR. FULLER.—*For a child above three years of age with whooping cough. Every other day the strength of the mixture may be augmented in the proportion of one dose. The belladonna, it is said, can be thus gradually increased to doses of five grains without any mischief.* See F. 326.

93. *Valerianate of Quinia.*

R. Quiniæ Valerianatis, gr. 12—20; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 40. Divide into twelve pills, silver them, and order one to be taken three times a day. *In hysteria, and analogous nervous disorders.*

94. *Stramonium, Colchicum, and Digitalis.*

R. Potassæ Citratis, gr. 120; Tincturæ Stramonii, fl. drm. 1; Tincturæ Colchici Seminis, fl. drs. 2; Infusi Digitalis, fl. oz. 2; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In irregular gout, with dyspnœa or violent palpitation, and a full pulse.*

95. *Sumbul and Ether.*

R. Sumbuli Radicis, gr. 240; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. oz. 4. Macerate in a stoppered bottle for seven days, and then filter. Dose, min. 20—30. *In neuralgia, hysterical fits, &c.*

## VI. ASTRINGENTS.

96. *Rhatany Mixtures.*

R. Tincturæ Rheii, fl. drs. 3; Infusi Kramerizæ, fl. oz. 8. Make a mixture, and order one-sixth part to be taken every six or eight hours. *A valuable astringent in common diarrhœa.*

R. Extracti Kramerizæ, gr. 20; Aquæ, fl. drs. 12. Make a draught. To be taken three times a day. *In hæmaturia, passive intestinal hæmorrhage, &c.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 60; Tincturæ Kramerizæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In relaxation of*

the buccal mucous membrane, elongation of the uvula, sponging, &c.

### 97. Catechu Mixtures.

R. Tincturæ Catechu, fl. drs. 3—8; Pulveris Cretæ Aromaticæ Olei Menthæ Piperitæ, min. 6; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 30; 1 Cretæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part after every relaxation. *Efficacious in checking simple diarrhæa. In some instances half an castor oil should be given four hours before commencing this mixture.*

R. Tincturæ Catechu, fl. drs. 1; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, 15; Olei Menthæ Piperitæ, min. 1; Infusi Catechu, fl. oz. 1. To be taken two or three times a day.

R. Tincturæ Catechu, fl. drs. 3; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 12; Infusum Maticæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken three or four times a day. *In diarrhæa and dysentery.*

R. Extracti Bolæ Liquidum, fl. drs. 1—2; Syrupi Gummi 1 dr. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. To be taken three or four times a day. *In chronic dysentery.*

R. Pulveris Catechu Compositi, gr. 30; Pulveris Cretæ Aromaticæ, 20. Mix a powder. To be taken night and morning.

### 98. Vegetable Charcoal.

R. Carbonis Ligni, Theriacæ, 5â oz. 1. Mix. Direct one teaspoonful to be taken three or four times a day. *In some cases of diarrhæa, when the irritation is kept up by fecal fermentation, eructations. The charcoal should be recently prepared. Charcoal is also useful.*

### 99. Tannin and Nitric Acid.

R. Acidi Tannici, gr. 30; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, fl. drs. 1; Lupuli, fl. drs. 4; Infusum Gentianæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Direct sixth part three times a day. *To restrain secretion in chronic catarrh; in phthisis when the cavities are large and the walls throw out considerable quantities of purulent matter; in nervous debility, and in all cases where an astringent is required. When a ferruginous tonic is indicated, the mixture may be given night and morning, and some preparation of steel in the middle of the day.*

### 100. Aromatic Sulphuric Acid and Opium.

R. Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Camphoræ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Cinnamomi ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Label, sixth part three times a day, about an hour before each meal."

### 101. Perchloride of Iron.

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, min. 15; Acidi Hydrochlorici, min. 10; Aquæ Aurantii Floris, fl. drs. 12. Make a draught taken every six hours. *In some cases of epistaxis, hæmorrhage of the stomach, &c.*



102. *Oil of Turpentine.*

R. Olei Terebinthinæ, min. 10—20; Misturæ Amygdalæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken every hour. *In severe hæmoptysis, especially where the individual is weak and cachectic.*

R. Olei Terebinthinæ, min. 10; Tinct. Opii, min. 10; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken every two or three hours. *In hæmorrhage from the bowel in enteric fever.*

R. Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. drs. 4; Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 10; Olei Terebinthinæ, min. 10; Olei Anethi, min. 1; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken thrice daily. *In passive hæmatemesis.* See F. 50.

103. *Gallic Acid.*

R. Acidi Gallici, gr. 10—15; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. drs. 12. Make a draught. To be taken every four hours.

R. Acidi Gallici, gr. 4; Extracti Cannabis Indicæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Confectionis Rosæ Gallicæ, gr. 1. Make a pill. To be taken every night at bedtime. *To check the night-sweats in phthisis.*

R. Acidi Gallici, gr. 8; Morphiæ Hydrochloratis, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Confectionis Rosæ Gallicæ, sufficient to make two pills. Label,—“To be taken every night at bedtime.” *To relieve the cough and night sweats of phthisis.*

R. Glycerini Acidi Gallici, fl. drs. 6—10; Acidi Sulphurici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Extracti Ergotæ Liquidum, fl. drs. 8; Aquam Cinnamomi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix and label,—“One-eighth part every four or six hours.” *In uterine hæmorrhage, whether due to cancer, polypus, simple ulceration, or a flabby condition of the walls.*

R. Acidi Gallici, gr. 15—25; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, min. 15—20; Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 2; Aquam Destillatæ, ad fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken every four hours until the bleeding ceases. *In profuse menorrhagia, hæmoptysis, hæmatemesis, &c.*

R. Acidi Gallici, gr. 12; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, gr. 5. Make a powder. To be taken every eight or twelve hours. *A valuable astringent in hæmorrhage from the lungs, stomach, intestines, or kidneys.*

104. *Cinnamon Mixtures.*

R. Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 6; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, fl. drs. 2. Mix, and label,—“Thirty drops in a wineglassful of water every two hours.” *Useful in passive hæmorrhages from the kidneys, bladder, uterus, &c.*

R. Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Ammoniæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Decoctum Hæmatoxyli, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-fourth part after every relaxed motion.

R. Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 2; Aquæ Cinnamomi, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken thrice daily. *In menorrhagia especially, but also in other varieties of passive hæmorrhage.*

105. *Hamamelis Virginica.*

R. Tincturæ Hamamelis, fl. drs. 1; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 6. Mix. One teaspoonful or two teaspoonfuls every two or three hours. *Large doses may produce severe throbbing pain in the head. Useful in epis-*

*taxis, hæmoptysis, hæmatemesis, hæmaturia, bleeding piles, and uteri hæmorrhage. For piles a lotion of Hamamelis is also useful. See F. 275.*

#### 106. Sulphate of Copper and Opium.

*R.* Cupri Sulphatis, Extracti Opii,  $\text{ss}$  gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Gentiani q.s. Make a pill. To be taken three or four times a day. *In obstinate diarrhæa.*

#### 107. Nitrate of Silver and Opium.

*R.* Argenti Nitratis, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Opii gr. 2. Make a pill. To be taken night and morning. *In very obstinate diarrhæa where opium agrees with the system. See F. 59.*

#### 108. Kino and Logwood.

*R.* Tincturæ Kino, fl. drs. 6; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Decoct Hæmatoxyli, fl. oz. 7. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic dysentery, diarrhæa, abundant secretion of mucus from lining membrane of colon and rectum, &c.*

#### 109. Cascarella and Squills.

*R.* Tincturæ Scillæ, fl. drs.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ —2; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drms. 1; Liquoris Morphicæ Hydrochloratis, min. 30; Infusum Cascariellæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic bronchitis with profuse expectoration.*

#### 110. Alum and Syrup of Red Poppy.

*R.* Aluminis, gr. 30; Syrupi Rhœados, fl. drs. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. One teaspoonful every two or three hours. *In the catarrh of infants, where the secretion from the bronchial tubes is excessive.*

#### 111. Oxide of Zinc.

*R.* Zinci Oxidi, gr. 12; Extracti Conii, *vel* Hyoscyami, gr. 18. Make a mass, divide into six pills, and order one to be taken every night at bedtime. *For the relief of night sweats in phthisis and other exhausting diseases.*

*R.* Zinci Oxidi, gr. 2; Morphicæ Hydrochloratis, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Anthemidis, gr. 3. Make a pill, to be taken night and morning.

#### 111a. Atropine and Belladonna.

*R.* Liq. Atropiæ Sulphatis (B.P.), min. 16; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 8. One tablespoonful accurately measured in a medicine glass to be taken at bedtime. The dose may be increased to 6 or 8 drachms if necessary. *Useful for the sweating of phthisis.*

Subcutaneous injection of  $\frac{1}{16}$  grain of Sulphate of Atropine; or the use of Belladonna in a single dose of 20—30 drops of the Tincture or the external use of the Liniment of Belladonna may be substituted.

#### 112. Preparations of Bismuth.

*R.* Bismuthi Carbonatis, gr. 60; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 4; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth

part every six or eight hours. *Useful in checking the diarrhœa of phthisis, typhoid fever, &c.*

R. Bismuthi Carbonatis, gr. 80; Pulveris Kini Compositi, gr. 30; Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours.

R. Bismuthi Subnitratis, gr. 100. Divide into six powders, and order one to be taken every night at bedtime in a teacupful of milk arrowroot with one tablespoonful of brandy. *In cases where the use of bismuth is indicated with a stimulant.* See F. 65.

### 113. *Astringent Enemata.*

R. Olei Terebinthinæ, min. 30; Tincturæ Kino, fl. drs. 2; Extracti Opii Liquidii, min. 10—25; Mucilaginis Amyli, fl. oz. 2. Make an enema. *To check the purging in typhoid fever, if opium and starch enema fails.*

R. Bismuthi Subnitratis, gr. 20; Tincturæ Catechu, fl. drm. 1; Liquoris Morphine Hydrochloratis, min. 30; Mucilaginis Amyli, fl. oz. 2. Mix for an enema. *To check the purging of phthisis, fever, &c. It may be administered every twelve hours.*

### 114. *Chloroform, Opium, and Castor Oil.*

R. Chloroformi, min. 6—12; Tincturæ Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 2; Olei Ricini, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. drs. 3. Make a draught, to be taken immediately. *In choleraic diarrhœa.*

### 115. *Alum and Sulphuric Acid.*

R. Aluminis, gr. 100; Syrupi Rhœados, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Rosæ Acidum, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every six hours. *In passive hæmorrhage. Also in some cases of lead colic.*

### 116. *Ammonia Iron-Alum, &c.*

R. Ferri Ammonio-Sulphatis, gr. 30—60; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six or eight hours. *An excellent astringent in some forms of hæmatemesis, hæmoptysis, &c.*

R. Aluminis, gr. 90; Ferri Sulphatis, gr. 20; Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 4; Acidi Sulphurici Diluti, fl. drm. 1; Syrupi Limonis, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix and label,—“One-eighth part to be taken three times a day, after food, in a wineglassful of water.”

### 117. *Lead and Acetic Acid.*

R. Plumbi Acetatis, gr. 5—10; Extracti Opii, gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ — $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Confectionis Rosæ Gallicæ, sufficient to make two pills. To be taken every two or three hours, with the following draught:—R. Acidi Acetici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Aquæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 6. Mix. *In severe hæmoptysis.—The acetate of lead is inferior to gallic acid as an astringent, unless given in larger doses than are commonly employed. According to DR. TANNER'S experience, this lead salt may be prescribed in 5, 10, or even 20 gr. doses, with great advantage, in cases of uterine hæmorrhage requiring prompt suppression. Doses of ten grains, repeated every four hours or forty-eight or sixty hours, have given rise to attacks of colic.*

118. *Cold as a Local Astringent.*

The best and cheapest freezing mixture is made with ice and common salt in equal parts. Any of the following, however, will prove useful:—

MIXTURES.	PARTS.	THERM. SINKS.
Chloride of Ammonium . . . . .	5	} From 50° to 10° Fahr.
Nitre . . . . .	5	
Water . . . . .	10	} From 50° to 4° Fahr.
Nitrate of Ammonia . . . . .	1	
Water . . . . .	1	} From 32° to - 4° Fahr.
Snow . . . . .	2	
Common Salt . . . . .	1	} From 18° to - 25° Fahr.
Snow or Ice . . . . .	12	
Common Salt . . . . .	5	
Nitrate of Ammonia . . . . .	5	

## VII. BATHS.

119. *Temperature of Simple Baths.*

BATH.	WATER.	VAPOUR.	AIR.
The Cold . . . . .	33° to 65° Fahr.		
„ Cool . . . . .	65° to 75°		
„ Temperate . . . . .	75° to 85°		
„ Tepid . . . . .	85° to 92° . . . . .	90° to 100° . . . . .	96° to 106°
„ Warm . . . . .	92° to 98° . . . . .	300° to 115° . . . . .	106° to 120°
„ Hot . . . . .	98° to 112° . . . . .	115° to 140° . . . . .	120° to 180°

120. *Nitro-Hydrochloric Acid Baths.*

R. Acidi Nitrici, fl. drs. 12; Acidi Hydrochlorici, fl. oz. 1—3; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix. To be prepared in a wooden bath. The patient should remain in it from ten to twenty minutes. *Useful in cases where the liver is inactive,—as in invalids from tropical climates.*

R. Acidi Nitrici, fl. drs. 4; Acidi Hydrochlorici, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 4. Mix. For a footbath. *In dyspepsia, with derangement of the liver and constipation. To be used in a wooden or earthenware vessel.*

121. *Alkaline Bath.*

R. Sodæ Carbonatis, lb. 1; Aquæ Ferventis, C. 80. Mix. *In the lithic acid diathesis, chronic squamous diseases of the skin, chronic rheumatism, &c.*

122. *Conium and Starch Bath.*

R. Extracti Conii, oz. 1; Pulveris Amyli, lb. 1; Aquæ Ferventis, C. 30. Mix, for a bath. *In certain skin diseases attended with abundant scurf itching.* A simple starch bath without any conium is very soothing to the skin when covered with an irritating rash.

123. *Creasote Bath.*

R. Creasoti, fl. drs. 3; Glycerini, fl. oz. 4; Aquæ Ferventis, C. 30. Mix. *In squamous disease of the skin.*

124. *Iodine Bath.*

R. Iodi, gr. 60; Potassii Iodidi, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Liqueoris Potassæ, fl. oz. 2; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix. *In scrofula, chronic rheumatism, secondary syphilis, and certain skin diseases.*

125. *Sulphur Baths.*

R. Potassæ Sulphuratæ, oz. 4; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix. *Useful in scabies, lead colic, paralysis from lead, &c.*

R. Potassæ Sulphuratæ, oz. 4; Sodæ Hyposulphitæ, oz. 1; Acidi Sulphurici, fl. dr. 1; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix.

126. *Iron, or Oak Bark, Baths.*

R. Ferri Sulphatis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Aquæ, C. 4. Mix. *Especially useful for strumous and rickety children.*

R. Quercûs Contussæ, lb. 1; Aquæ Calidæ, O. 2. Mix. Boil for half an hour, and add the strained decoction to three gallons of warm or tepid water. To be used every morning. *For delicate children, &c.*

127. *Salt-water Baths.*

R. Salis Marini (vulgo, "Bay Salt"), lb.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Aquæ Tepidæ, C. 4. Mix. Make a sponge bath to be used every morning. *In general debility, chronic rheumatism, &c. The surface of the body should be thoroughly rubbed with a flesh brush and coarse towels.*

R. Salis Marini, lb. 2; Magnesiæ Sulphatis, oz. 3; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 120; Liqueoris Calcis Chloratæ, fl. oz.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Aquæ, C. 30. Mix.

128. *Arsenical Baths.*

R. Sodæ Carbonatis, oz. 4; Sodæ Arseniatis, gr. 20—36; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix. *In rheumatoid arthritis, skin diseases, &c.*

R. Sodii Chloridi, oz. 1; Sodæ Sulphatis, oz. 1; Sodæ Carbonatis, oz. 2; Sodæ Arseniatis, gr. 52; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix.

R. Potassæ Sulphuratæ, oz. 4; Sodæ Arseniatis, gr. 30—40; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix.

129. *Borax Bath.*

R. Boracis, oz. 4; Glycerini, fl. oz. 3; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 30. Mix. *In some squamous and other irritable diseases of the skin.*

130. *The Turkish Bath.*

The general effect of a hot-air bath is to increase the force and rapidity of the circulation, and to induce free perspiration; but if too hot or too prolonged the determination of blood to the skin and lungs becomes so great, that the brain suffers. There is then consequently a lowering of the circulation, with depressed nervous power. A temperature varying from  $110^{\circ}$  to  $165^{\circ}$  will usually suffice; while if the perspiration is efficient and continuous, and the sensation agreeable, the patient may remain in the calidarium for from forty to sixty minutes. The bath is always to be taken before a meal—when the stomach is

empty.—A Turkish bath is *useful* in removing local congestions, in clearing the pores, and in inducing a healthy condition of the skin and mucous membranes, in eliminating noxious matters from the blood, and in imparting a sense of elasticity and vigour to the system. Hence it may be recommended in dropsy due to renal or hepatic disease, in gout and rheumatism, in many cutaneous affections, in albuminuria, in certain forms of neuralgia, in some cases of obesity, and so on. It is *injurious* when there is any obstruction to the circulation, or when the heart or vessels are affected with fatty degeneration, or when there are any symptoms of disease of the nervous centres, or when there is a tendency to vertigo or syncope, as well as in advanced life. Women who are pregnant, or who are menstruating, ought not to have recourse to it.

### 131. *Mercurial Vapour Bath.*

The patient is seated on a chair, and covered with an oil-cloth lined with flannel, which is supported by proper framework. Under the chair are placed a copper bath containing water, and a metallic plate on which is put from sixty to one hundred and eighty grains of the bisulphuret of mercury, or the same quantity of the grey oxide, or of the red oxide of this metal. In syphilitic affections of the skin, testes, and bones, from five to thirty grains of the green iodide of mercury may be employed; or a mixture of twenty grains of the green iodide with ninety grains of the bisulphuret often proves efficacious. Under the bath and plate spirit-lamps are lighted. The patient is thus exposed to the influence of three agents—heated air, steam, and the vapour of mercury. At the end of five to ten minutes perspiration commences, which becomes excessive in ten or fifteen minutes longer. The lamps are now to be extinguished, and when the patient has become moderately cool he is to be rubbed dry. He should then drink a cup of warm decoction of guaiacum or sarsaparilla, and repose for a short time.—LANGSTON PARKER. *In constitutional syphilis when mercury is indicated. This method of introducing mercury into the system may also be adopted with benefit in other diseases, in place of administering the metal by the mouth.*

MR. HENRY LEE's mode of proceeding is more simple, and is the one which the Author has frequently adopted with great success. A convenient apparatus is used, made by most instrument-makers, consisting of a kind of tin case containing a spirit-lamp. In the centre, over the flame, is a small tin plate, upon which from fifteen to thirty grains of calomel are placed; while around this is a sort of saucer filled with boiling water. The lamp having been lighted, the apparatus is placed under a common cane-bottom chair, upon which the patient sits. He is then enveloped, chair and all, in one or more large blankets; and so he remains well covered up, for about twenty minutes, when the water and mercury will be found to have disappeared. About five minutes afterwards he may put on his shirt and go to bed; but it is better not to use a towel, since it can only be disadvantageous to wipe off the calomel deposited on the skin.

### 132. *Gelatine Bath.*

Take of Gelatine, or Common Glue, lb. 1; dissolve in a little boiling water, and then add twenty gallons of hot water to form a bath. This bath can oft-times be made more efficacious by soaking in it one or two pounds of bran confined in a muslin bag. *In eczema, and other irritable cutaneous affections.*

133. *Mustard Footbath.*

R. Pulveris Sinapis, oz. 2—4; Aquæ Calidæ, C. 4. Mix, for a footbath. In congestions of the head and chest, headache, languid circulation, as well as in some cases of amenorrhœa, &c.

134. *Cold Affusion.*

The patient is seated in an empty bath, and from four to six buckets of cold water (about 40° Fahr.) are poured over his head and chest from a height of two or more feet. He is then quickly dried, and replaced in bed. The colder the water and the greater the height from which it is poured, the more stimulating the effect. Affusion, as thus practised by DR. CURRIE, proved very valuable in the treatment of typhus. It may be resorted to when the temperature of the body is permanently above its normal standard, when there is no feeling of chilliness, when the body is not wholly bathed in sweat, when there is not much irritability of the nervous system, and when there is great stupor. The effect is to lower the temperature, to lessen the frequency of the pulse and respiration, to render the tongue moist and soft, to diminish or remove the stupor, to procure sleep, and sometimes to produce a critical perspiration. Cold affusion can seldom be resorted to with safety more than once in every twenty-four hours.

When it is desirable to apply a *douche-bath* to one or more of the joints it is only necessary to affix two or three yards of large-sized india-rubber tubing to the tap of a cistern. The patient must sit in an empty bath, into which the water may fall as it plays upon the limb. The reaction is greater after the use of hot and cold douches, alternately, than after the employment of water of only one temperature.

135. *The Shallow Bath.*

The patient sits in a bath some six feet long, with a depth of water (temperature 60° to 80° Fahr.) varying from 8 to 12 inches. The extremities and trunk are well rubbed by an assistant, while water is gently poured over the head. The duration of the bath ought to vary from five minutes to three-quarters of an hour, until the temperature of the body is lowered. The colder the water and the shorter the stay in it, the more stimulating and less sedative will be the effect. This bath is less exciting than the cold affusion, and is chiefly indicated where the latter would be improper—i.e., where there is much nervous irritability. It is also better for women, who can seldom bear the cold affusion.

As a substitute for the shallow bath the *dripping sheet* is sometimes used. The patient stands upright in an empty bath, while the attendant placed at his back suddenly envelops him in a sheet dipped in cold water. The surface of the body is rapidly rubbed by the servant's flat hands for some three minutes, until the bather is in a glow; when a dry sheet is quickly substituted for the wet one, and the rubbing continued. The whole process should be over in five or six minutes.

136. *Wet Sheet Packing, &c.*

The patient is closely enveloped in a sheet which has been dipped in cold or epid water and well wrung out. Or a long towel is wrung out

of tepid water, and applied along the whole length of the back, while another similarly prepared, is laid over the chest and abdomen. In either case the patient is then carefully wrapped in a blanket, covered with three or more blankets, and has a down coverlet tucked over all. He should remain thus for 30, 45 or 60 minutes, lying on his side, or in a semi-recumbent position; the duration being timed by the sedative effect produced. The sweating is not generally excessive. But the water, urea, and chloride of sodium of the urine are slightly increased; this increase being considerable when the sheet is continued for four hours. At the conclusion the shallow bath may be used for two or three minutes, as a tonic.

*The Wet Pack as a Cooling Agent.*—When it is desired to bring down the temperature, as in the treatment of enteric fever, the patient is enveloped in a dripping sheet and lightly covered by a single blanket, or in extreme cases left without any other covering than the wet sheet, which must be kept moist. The temperature must be taken at brief intervals in the mouth, rectum, or vagina, and when it falls to the normal point, or sooner should a distinct rigor occur, the patient should be removed from the pack.

A *blanket bath* affords an easy means of inducing sweating. A blanket is wrung out of hot water, and wrapped round the patient. He is to be packed in three or four dry blankets, and allowed to repose for thirty minutes. The surface of the body should then be well rubbed with warm towels, and the patient made comfortable in bed.

The *wet compress* consists merely of a roll of flannel or calico, dipped in cold water and wrung out, and then applied round the seat of pain. Over this a piece of waterproof cloth is worn. The compress is kept on night and day.

### 137. *The Bath as a Cooling Agent.*

Even the warm bath at a temperature of 95° or 90° Fahr. must prove a cooling agent to the body of a fever patient at 100° or 105°. The immersion may continue from fifteen minutes to an hour or longer. Its sedative effects render it valuable when the nervous system is irritable.

The temperature may, however, be lowered to 70° or 65° by the addition of cold water while the patient is in the bath. This *graduated bath* has proved effectual in saving life in cases of hyperpyrexia during acute rheumatism, enteric fever, &c. The temperature of the patient must be observed continuously, and when it has fallen to 102°, or thereabout, or when shivering comes on, he must be removed to bed. Enteric fever, moreover, has been extensively treated by cold baths, 60° or 70°, with considerable success. The patient whenever the temperature reaches 102° or 102½° is at once placed in the bath, and kept in it for 15 or 20 minutes. This may have to be repeated several times in the day.

In cases of delirium tremens with high fever, *cold superfusion* may be used while the patient is held in the warm bath. From ten to thirty buckets of cold water are to be poured slowly over the head; hot water being continually added to the bath to maintain its heat at 95°. This *treatment* may frequently be counted upon to produce sound sleep.



138. *Acid Sponging.*

One part of vinegar is to be added to two or three parts of cold water and the body well sponged with the mixture. Simple tepid water may sometimes be advantageously used. The patient being weak and unable to move, the sponging must be done by degrees:—i.e., the arms, chest, back, and legs are to be rapidly washed and dried. *In many cases of fever, inflammation, scarlatina, &c.*

## VIII. CATHARTICS AND ANTHELMINTICS.

139. *The Common Black Draught.*

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, gr. 120; Mannæ, gr. 160; Tincturæ Sennæ, fl. drs. 2; Infusi Sennæ, fl. drs. 10. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning. One ounce and a half of the official COMPOUND MIXTURE OF SENNA is equivalent to the foregoing.

140. *Calomel, Jalap, and Epsom Salts.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 5; Pulveris Jalapæ, gr. 15. Make a powder. To be taken immediately; with the following draught three hours afterwards:—

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, gr. 120; Mannæ, gr. 60; Tincturæ Jalapæ, fl. drs. 2; Aquæ Carui, fl. drs. 10. Mix. *A good active purgative in head affections, &c., as well as at the commencement of many acute diseases.*

141. *The White Mixture of Hospitals.*

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, oz. 1½; Magnesiae Carbonatis, gr. 120; Aquæ Menthæ Piperitæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. The addition of two fluid drachms of Colchicum wine is sometimes advantageous. One-sixth part early every morning.

142. *Epsom Salts and Sulphuric Acid.*

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, oz. 2; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, min. 90; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Quassiae, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part two or three times a day. *In painters' colic, copper colic, &c.*

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, oz. ½; Infusi Rosæ Acidi, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning. *In mild febrile affections with much constipation.*

143. *Glauber's Salts and Sulphuric Acid.*

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, gr. 120; Ferri Sulphatis, gr. 3; Acidi Sulphurici Diluti, min. 15; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, min. 40; Infusi Calumbæ, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken the first thing in the morning. *In obstinate constipation with debility. Also in some varieties of hæmorrhage where an aperient is needed,—as purpura, hæmatemesis, &c.*

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, gr. 240; Acidi Sulphurici Diluti, fl. drms. 1; Infusi Gentianæ Compositi, fl. oz. 6. Mix. Three tablespoonfuls to be taken daily, after luncheon or dinner. *In habitual constipation with flatulence.*

144. *Glauber's Salts and Taraxacum.*

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, gr. 120; Succī Taraxaci, fl. dr̄m. 1; Decoct Taraxaci, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken every morning before breakfast. *In constipation with deficient secretion of bile.* The taraxacum is a good vehicle for the sulphate of soda, even if it is incapable of influencing the secretion of bile. See F. 148.

145. *Aloes, Senna, and Jalap.*

R. Tincturæ Sennæ, Tincturæ Jalapæ, āā fl. dr̄s. 2; Infusi Sennæ fl. oz. 2; Decocti Aloes Compositi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken night and morning.

146. *Rhubarb, Gentian, and Senna.*

R. Tincturæ Rhei, fl. dr̄s. 2; Spiritūs Animoniz Aromatici, min. 40; Infusi Gentianæ Compositi, Infusi Sennæ, āā fl. dr̄s. 7. Make a draught. To be taken every morning an hour before breakfast. *A mild aperient in gouty dyspepsia.*

147. *Nitric Acid, Senna, and Taraxacum.*

R. Acidi Nitrici Diluti, min. 90; Spiritūs Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. dr̄s. 2; Succī Taraxaci, fl. dr̄s. 12; Tincturæ Sennæ, fl. oz. 4; Infusum Gentianæ Compositi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In dyspepsia with debility and constipation. Also in passive hepatic congestion, in amenorrhœa with a loaded liver, &c.*

148. *Alkaline Aperients.*

R. Decocti Aloes Compositi, Infusi Gentianæ Compositi, āā fl. oz. 4; Tincturæ Nucis Vomiz, fl. dr̄m. 1; Liquoris Potassæ, fl. dr̄s. 2. Mix. One-sixth part, with two or three tablespoonfuls of water, early every morning. *Useful in bilious headache.*

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, oz. 1½; Sodæ Phosphatis, oz. 1; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. dr̄s. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Three large tablespoonfuls immediately; the dose to be repeated after two hours, unless the bowels should be freely acted on.

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, Sulphuris Præcipitati, āā oz. 1½. Mix. Label,—“One teaspoonful in a tumblerful of milk and water early in the morning.”—*In rheumatoid arthritis, chronic rheumatism, sciatica, pruritus, &c.*

149. *Phosphate of Soda and Aloes.*

R. Extracti Rhei, gr. 10; Sodæ Phosphatis, gr. 60; Decocti Aloes Compositi, fl. dr̄s. 6; Aquam Menthæ Viridis, ad fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken occasionally at bedtime. *In some forms of chronic gout, jaundice from gallstones, &c.*

150. *Aloes, Senna, and Epsom Salts.*

R. Vini Aloes, fl. dr̄s. 2; Infusi Sennæ, fl. dr̄s. 14; Magnesiz Sulphatis, gr. 240. Mix. Half of this mixture to be taken about 7 o'clock in the morning, and the remainder two hours after breakfast, if required.

151. *Jalap and Senna.*

R. Tincturæ Sennæ, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Jalapæ, fl. drs. 2; Vinī Colchici, fl. dr̄m. 1; Aquæ Pimentæ, fl. oz. 2. Mix. Label,—“Half of this draught immediately, and the remainder in six hours, if necessary.”

R. Pulveris Jalapæ Compositi, gr. 30—60; Syrupi Sennæ, fl. dr̄m. 1; Aquæ Camphoræ, fl. drs. 15. Make a draught. To be taken early every morning. *In dropsy.*

R. Jalapæ Resinæ, gr. 3; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 2. Mix into a pill, to be taken at bedtime. An ounce and a half of the COMPOUND MIXTURE OF SENNA should be administered on the following morning. *In dropsy and in hepatic disease where an active purgative is needed.*

152. *Saline Purgative, with Antimonial wine.*

R. Vinī Antimonialis, fl. dr̄m. 1; Magnesiæ Sulphatis, gr. 160; Liquoris Ammoniæ Acetatis, fl. drs. 12; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part two or three times in the twenty-four hours. *Simple fever with constipation. In hepatic congestion, &c.*

153. *Sulphur and Magnesia.*

R. Magnesiæ Carbonatis, gr. 20; Sulphuris Præcipitati, gr. 25; Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 10; Pulveris Zingiberis, gr. 3. Make a powder. To be taken early in the morning in a tumblerful of milk. *A valuable aperient for delicate females subject to rheumatism. Also in prurigo, and some other skin diseases.*

154. *Steel and Aloes.*

R. Ferri Sulphatis Granulatæ, gr. 2; Pilulæ Aloes et Myrrhæ, gr. 3. Make a pill, to be taken thrice daily after meals. *In amenorrhæa, chlorosis, hysteria with constipation and debility, &c.* See F. 421.

155. *Pepsine and Aloes.*

R. Pepsinæ Porci, gr. 32; Extracti Aloes Barbadosensis, gr. 4—8; Glycerini, sufficient to make a mass. Divide into eight pills, and order one to be taken every day at dinner. To prevent them from adhering to each other, these pills should either be silvered or coated with lycopodium—the delicate and tasteless powder contained in the spore cases of *Lycopodium selago* and *Lycopodium clavatum*. *Valuable in gastric and duodenal dyspepsia, some diseases of the rectum, certain forms of suppressed menstruation, &c.*

R. Extracti Aloes, gr. 1; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Make a pill to be taken daily after dinner or supper.

156. *Aloes and Galbanum.*

R. Pilulæ Aloes et Myrrhæ, Pilulæ Assafœtidæ Compositæ, 5ā gr. 5. Make two pills. To be taken night and morning. *In hysteria with attacks of flatulent colic, and in some forms of amenorrhæa with constipation.*

157. *Elaterium, or Wild Cucumber.*

R. Liqueoris Ammoniac Acetatis, fl. drs. 9; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 4; Elaterii, gr. 1; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 3. Mix. Direct, "Two small teaspoonfuls in a wineglassful of water every two hour until the bowels are freely acted on." *In early stages of acute drop with albuminuria.*

R. Elaterii, gr. 1½; Pulveris Capsici, gr. 9; Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 12; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 18. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills and order two to be taken for a dose. *If a very active purgative required, the quantity of elaterium may be doubled. The capsicum prevents the nausea which this drug often produces.*

R. Elaterii, gr. 1; Digitalis Foliae, gr. 2—4; Extracti Gentianae, gr. 1. Divide into four pills, and order one to be taken every night. *In dropsical effusions, and where it is desirable to produce copious watery stools.*

158. *Gamboge and Galbanum.*

R. Pilulae Cambogiae Compositae, Pilulae Assafoetidae Compositae, gr. 5. Make two pills. To be taken every night at bedtime. *A good drastic hydragogue cathartic, acting chiefly upon the small intestines.*

159. *Calomel and Jalap, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 2—3; Pulveris Scammoniae Compositae, gr. 4; Pulveris Aromatici, gr. 5. Mix, for a powder to be taken at bedtime. *A valuable purgative in the cerebral affections of children; also in cases of threadworm.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 2; Extracti Jalapae, gr. 8. Make into two pills, and order them to be taken at bedtime. *In cerebral affections, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 5; Pulveris Jalapae Compositae, gr. 20—40. Make a powder, to be taken every night at bedtime. *A good hydragogue cathartic. The calomel increases the effect of the jalap and acts as a tartar.*

R. Hydrargyri Subchloridi, gr. 2; Pulveris Rhei, gr. 20; Jalapae Resinae, gr. 2; Pulveris Zingiberis, gr. 4. Mix. To be taken as a bolus in a little wafer paper, at bedtime.

160. *Podophyllum Peltatum, or May-apple.*

R. Podophylli Resinae, gr. ½; Pulveris Rhei, gr. 5; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 2. Make two pills. To be taken every night at bedtime. *As a purgative in jaundice from suppression, in torpid liver, and in drops from cardiac or renal or hepatic disease. Podophyllin produces copious bilious stools; but it is rather uncertain, and is apt to gripe unless combined with henbane.*

R. Podophylli Resinae, gr. 6; Pulveris Zingiberis, gr. 20; Jalapae Resinae, gr. 10; Digitalis Foliae, gr. 3; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 1. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order two to be taken every other night at bedtime. *As a drastic purgative in dropsy. See F. 80.*

161. *Ammonia and Rhubarb.*

R. Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 4; Tincturae Rheii, fl. oz. 2; Infusi Rheii, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part to be taken night and morning.

162. *Gentian, Ether, and Rhubarb.*

R. Tincturae Rheii, fl. oz. 1; Tincturae Gentianae Compositae, fl. oz. 2; Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, Spiritus Aetheris, aa fl. drs. 4; Aquae Pimentae, fl. oz. 4. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken occasionally. *In cases of colic, flatulence, nausea, or languor, where a warm stomachic aperient is needed.*

163. *Hellebore and Colchicum.*

R. Tincturae Hellebori (Phar. Lond. 1851), min. 30; Vini Colchici, min. 25; Tincturae Rheii, fl. drs. 2; Aquam Camphorae, ad fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken occasionally early in the morning. *Useful in gout, chronic rheumatism, &c.*

164. *Castor Oil.*

R. Olei Ricini, fl. drs. 2—4. To be taken occasionally about 11 A. M. The taste of castor oil is entirely destroyed by mixing it with a teacupful of well salted and peppered beef tea.

R. Mucilaginis Tragacanthae, fl. oz. 2; Aquae Cinnamomi, fl. oz. 3; Olei Ricini, fl. drs. 12; Tincturae Rheii, Syrupi Aurantii, aa fl. drs. 6; Tincturae Opii, min. 30. Mix. One-eighth part every three hours. *In dysentery, when there are scybala in the rectum. Also where an aperient with a sedative is indicated.*

165. *Rhubarb and Magnesia, or Soda.*

R. Magnesia Carbonatis, gr. 120; Pulveris Rheii, gr. 60; Vini Ipecacuanhae, fl. drs. 2; Pulveris Aromatici, gr. 40; Aquae Menthae Piperitae, fl. oz. 8. Mix. Three tablespoonfuls to be taken every morning.

R. Pulveris Rheii; Sodae Bicarbonatis, aa gr. 20; Infusi Rheii, fl. oz. 1. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning, with two or three tablespoonfuls of water, twice or thrice a week. *For gouty and rheumatic subjects.*

The officinal PULVIS RHEI COMPOSITUS, in doses of 20 to 120 grains, is a valuable mild aperient where the intestinal secretions are deranged or diminished in quantity. *It is commonly known as GREGORY'S powder.*

166. *Epsom Salts and Sulphate of Iron.*

R. Magnesiae Sulphatis, gr. 120; Ferri Sulphatis, gr. 4; Acidi Sulphurici Diluti, min. 15; Extracti Quassiae, gr. 20; Aquae Pimentae, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning. *In constipation with general debility.*

167. *Colocynth and Tartarated Antimony.*

R. Pilulae Colocynthis et Hyoscyami, gr. 56; Antimonii Tartarati, gr. 4. Divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken every night at bedtime. *A valuable purgative in the cerebral congestions of strong subjects.*

168. *Croton Oil.*

R. Olei Crotonis, min. 1—2; Olei Caryophylli, min. 2; Miceæ Pa sufficient to make a pill. To be taken immediately, and repeated in hours if necessary.

R. Olei Crotonis, min. 2; Olei Theobromæ, gr. 80. Make a s pository. To be introduced into the rectum early in the morning about 5 A. M.

R. Olei Crotonis, min. 1—2; Pilulæ Colocynthis Compositæ, 30; Pilulæ Assafoetidæ Compositæ, gr. 60. Make a mass, divide in eighteen pills, and order three to be taken every night at bedtime. *cases of sciatica, obstinate neuralgia, &c., with constipation.*

169. *Seidlitz Powder.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 40; Sodæ Tartarata, gr. 120. Mix, a make an effervescing draught with thirty-seven grains of Tartaric Citric Acid dissolved in a tumblerful of water.

The Official EFFERVESCENT CITRO-TARTRATE OF SODA, in dos of a couple of teaspoonfuls, in a small tumblerful of cold or tepid wat is a very agreeable and mild aperient.

170. *Purified Ox Bile.*

R. Ammonia Carbonatis, gr. 34; Fellis Bovini Purificati, gr. 3 Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, silver them, and order one to l taken three hours after each of the principle meals. *In dyspepsia wi nausea, constipation and a deposit of urates in the urine.*

R. Jalapæ Resinæ, gr. 6—18; Fellis Bovini Purificati, gr. 24; Ol Carui, min. 10. Pilulæ Assafoetidæ Compositæ, gr. 18. Make a mas divide into twelve pills, and order two to be taken every night tw hours after supper. *To prevent an accumulation of feces, when the lar intestines are torpid. Also where there is a deficiency of bile.*

R. Pilulæ Colocynthis et Hyoseyami Fellis Bovini Purificati, E tracti Lupuli, aa gr. 20. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, silv them, and order one to be taken every day three hours after dinner, i constipation with flatulence and imperfect digestion of food.

R. Magnesiae Carbonatis, gr. 30; Tincturæ Jalapæ, fl. drs. 2; Tinc turæ Sennæ, fl. oz. 1; Fellis Bovini Purificati, gr. 30; Aquæ Can phoræ, ad fl. oz. 4. Mix, and label,—“Half of this mixture imme diately, and the remainder in three hours if necessary.” *A valuab purgative when the rectum is blocked up by hardened feces.*

CAPSULES containing pig's bile, evaporated to dryness, have bee prepared according to the directions of DR. HARLEY. Each capsule cor tains five grains of prepared bile,—equal to one hundred grains of liqui bile fresh from the gall bladder. Two or three are to be taken for dose, about two hours after a meal; when stomachal digestion bein nearly completed, the chyme is ready to pass into the duodenum. Th capsules imbibe moisture in the stomach; and then, in their soft swolle condition, generally get ruptured as they pass through the pylorus. I this way the bile is mingled with the chyme at the same time that th intermixture happens in the healthy organism. *In jaundice from long*

*continued obstruction. Also in some forms of duodenal dyspepsia arising from sedentary habits.*

171. *Mercury, Rhubarb, and Henbane, or Ipecac.*

R. Pilulæ Hydrargyri (*vel* Hydrargyri cum Cretâ), Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, Extracti Hyoscyami, ʒʒ gr. 20. Mix, divide into twelve pills, and order two to be taken occasionally at bedtime.

R. Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 12; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 12; Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, gr. 24. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. Two to be taken occasionally at night. *Where a stronger purgative is required the compound colocynth may be substituted for the compound rhubarb pill in either formula.*

172. *Sulphate of Magnesia.*

R. Magnesie Sulphatis, gr. 180; Vini Colchici, min. 15; Infusi Sennæ, Infusi Gentianæ Compositi, ʒʒ fl. oz. 1. Make a draught, to be taken early in the morning. *In gouty or rheumatic habits, with a deficient secretion of bile.*

173. *Colocynth and Assafœtida.*

R. Pilulæ Colocynthidis et Hyoscyami, Pilulæ Assafœtidæ Compositæ, ʒʒ gr. 5. Mix into two pills. To be taken occasionally at bedtime. *In constipation with flatulence. A valuable purgative for hypochondriasis.*

174. *Gamboge, Aloes, and Blue Pill.*

R. Pilulæ Cambogiæ Compositæ, gr. 5; Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 3. Make two pills. To be taken night and morning. *In dropsy from cardiac or hepatic disease where a drastic purgative is required.*

175. *Nux Vomica with Rhubarb, Aloes, &c.*

R. Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 3; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 6; Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, *vel* Pilulæ Aloes et Assafœtidæ, gr. 40. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order two to be taken every alternate night at bedtime. *In habitual constipation from atony of the coats of the bowel, with deficient secretion of intestinal mucus.*

R. Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 4—6; Extracti Aloes Socotrinae, gr. 12—18. Mix and divide into twelve pills, one to be taken every night. *In atonic constipation.*

R. Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 2; Extracti Aloes Barbadensis, gr. 6; Extracti Rhei, gr. 20. Mix and divide into six pills. One to be taken every day at dinner. *In torpor of the colon, some diseases of the rectum, &c.*

R. Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 40; Pilulæ Colocynthidis Compositæ, *vel* Jalapæ Resinæ, gr. 20; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 3. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. One pill to be taken every night. *In habitual constipation. They may be continued for about ten days. See F. 378, 387, and 409.*

176. *Rhubarb and Magnesia for Infants.*

R. Pulveris Rhei, gr. 15; Magnesie Carbonatis, gr. 60; Aquæ Anethi fl. drs. 12. Mix, and order one teaspoonful to be taken every two hours until the bowels are freely acted on.

177. *Sulphate of Zinc and Nux Vomica.*

R. Zincæ Sulphatis, gr. 24; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 2; Extracti Anthemidis, gr. 80. Mix, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *For habitual constipation, after the bowels have been cleared out with a purgative of calomel and colocynth. The pills should be taken immediately after meals, for two or three weeks. They ought to be discontinued gradually.*

178. *Quinine and Rhubarb.*

R. Quinina Sulphatis, gr. 2; Extracti Lupuli, gr. 5; Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, gr. 3. Mix into two pills, and order them to be taken every day at dinner. *Useful in some forms of dyspepsia with want of tone.*

179. *Ipecacuanha, Rhubarb, and Oxide of Silver.*

R. Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 1; Pulveris Rhei, gr. 3; Argenti Oxidi, gr. 1; Confectionis Rosæ Caninae, sufficient to form a pill. *A good dinner pill where there is uneasiness and oppression after meals, the result of slow digestion.*

180. *Steel, Glauber's Salts, &c.*

R. Ferri Sulphatis Granulatæ, gr. 10; Sodæ Sulphatis, Magnesii Sulphatis, ʒʒ oz. 1; Sodii Chloridi, gr. 120; Aquæ, O. 1. Mix. For tablespoonfuls in a tumblerful of warm water early in the morning. *A rough imitation of the Cheltenham Waters. Useful in debility with constipation.*

181. *Steel, Glauber's Salts, and Soda.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 60; Sodii Chloridi, gr. 4; Sodæ Sulphatis, gr. 10; Magnesii Sulphatis, gr. 3; Ferri Sulphatis, gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ —1; Aquæ, O. 1. Mix. By adding forty grains of Citric Acid an effervescence in water is produced. *A rough imitation of the Vichy Water. In some forms of chronic gout, &c.*

R. Sodæ Sulphatis, gr. 120—240; Sodæ Carbonatis, gr. 20; Sodii Chloridi, gr. 15; Cretæ Preparatæ, gr. 10; Ferri Carbonatis Saccharatæ, gr. 15. Make a powder, and direct it to be taken early in the morning in half a pint of water. *An imitation of the Carlsbad Waters.*

182. *Kamela, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Pulveris Kamelæ, gr. 60—180, *vel* Tincturæ Kamelæ, fl. drs. 5; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. drs. 2; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. drs. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 3. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning. A purgative should be administered six hours afterwards. Kamela is an orange-red resinous substance found adhering to the capsules of the Rottlera tinctoria, and is imported from India. *Strongly recommended in tapeworm.*

183. *Turpentine, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Olei Ricini, fl. drs. 4; Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. drs. 4; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 1; Aquæ, fl. drs. 1. Make a draught to be taken early in the morning. *In tapeworm, &c.*



184. *Kousso, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Cusso, in pulvere, gr. 240; Mellis Depurati, sufficient to make an electuary. Label,—“Half of this electuary to be taken early in the morning, and the remainder six hours afterwards.” *For tapeworm.*

The official INFUSUM Cusso may also be taken at the same hours, in doses of fl. oz. 4—8.

185. *Santonin, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Santonini, gr. 2—6; Sacchari Lactis, gr. 15. Make a powder. To be taken early in the morning, suspended in a tablespoonful of cream. The patient ought to have fasted for twelve hours previously. The dose may be repeated daily for eight or ten days, if necessary; and its exhibition may be followed at the end of six hours by the administration of an ounce of the Compound Decoction of Aloes. *A specific for the ascaris lumbricoides and oxyuris vermicularis. Less useful for the tænia solium. The patient should be warned that after a few doses the sight sometimes becomes perverted, so that objects seem to acquire a blue or yellow or some other colour.* One-third of a grain of the resin of podophyllum added occasionally to the dose of santonin appears to increase its efficacy.

186. *Pomegranate, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Spiritus Ætheris, min. 30—60; Decocti Granati Radicis, fl. oz. 1—2. Make a draught. To be taken every three hours until four doses have been used.

R. Granati Radicis Corticis, gr. 180; Pulveris Sabadillæ, gr. 6; Pulveris Aromatici, gr. 60. Mix, and divide into six powders. One to be taken every two hours until the whole is consumed. *More active than the preceding. A saline purge should be given after the last dose.*

187. *Male Fern, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. Extracti Filicis Liquidi, min. 60—90; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 2; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 2; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 4. Make a draught. To be taken early in the morning; only liquid nourishment having been allowed the previous day. Four hours afterwards a purgative dose of castor oil or compound decoction of aloes should be administered. *Especially useful for destroying tapeworms.*

188. *Simple Enemata.*

R. Sodii Chloridi, oz. 1; Decocti Hordei, fl. oz. 12. Mix, to form an enema. *In simple constipation, to destroy oxyurides, &c.*

R. Olei Olivæ, fl. oz. 6—8. To be warmed and then injected into the rectum. It should be retained for twelve or eighteen hours. *Very useful in structural disease of the large bowel, impaction of hardened feces, &c.*

R. Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 12; Magnesiæ Sulphatis, gr. 240; Decocti Hordei, fl. oz. 12. Mix, for an enema. The official ENEMA MAGNESIÆ SULPHATIS contains one ounce of Epsom salts and one ounce of olive oil, to fifteen ounces of fluid starch.

R. Saponis Mollis, oz. 1; Aquæ Calidæ, fl. oz. 12. Mix, for an enema.

189. *Caster Oil and Rue Enema.*

R. Olei Eucali. fl. drs. 6; Olei Eucali. fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Assafoetide, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Avenæ fl. oz. 7. Mix. *Exceedingly useful in flatulent colic.*

190. *Caster Oil and Turpentine Enema.*

R. Olei Eucali. fl. drs. 12; Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. drs. 4; Tincturæ Assafoetide, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Avenæ, fl. oz. 12. Mix. *In obstinate constipation. It should be thrown up into the bowel by means of a long tube like that of a stomach-pump.*

191. *Croton Oil Enema.*

R. Olei Crotonis min. 6; Olei Eucali. fl. oz. 1; Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Eucali. fl. oz. 6. Mix. *In obstinate constipation. It should be retained for three or four hours, if possible.*

192. *Steel and Aloes Enema.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1—3; Extracti Quassie, gr. 5; Extracti Aloes Barbadosiæ, gr. 2; Infusi Quassie, fl. oz. 8. Mix. *To destroy parasites. It has often seemed advantageous to the Author to administer a dose of calomel and scammony at the same time.*

193. *Spigelia, as an Anthelmintic.*

R. *Spigelia Marilandica* is an American plant which has been used with great success against round worms. The preparations in the U. S. Pharmacopœia are an Infusion of which the dose is four fluid ounces for an adult; a Fluid Extract, dose, half a fluid ounce; and a Fluid Extract of *Spigelia* and *Senna*, dose, half a fluid ounce. For children give one-eighth to one quarter of these doses.

194. *Purgative Electuaries.*

R. Confectionis Sennæ, Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, Extracti Taraxaci, ʒʒ oz. 1. Mix. One teaspoonful to be taken occasionally, an hour before breakfast. *In constipation with inactive liver, or hæmorrhoids.*

R. Confectionis Piperis, Syrupi Sennæ, Confectionis Sulphuris, ʒʒ oz. 1; Pulveris Jalapæ, gr. 30. Mix. One teaspoonful every morning. *In constipation with chronic rheumatism.*

R. Confectionis Sulphuris, oz. 2; Extracti Taraxaci, oz. 1. Mix and label,—“One teaspoonful daily before breakfast. *In many diseases of the rectum.*”

R. Confectionis Sennæ, oz. 2; Confectionis Scammonisæ, Syrupi Zingiberis, ʒʒ oz. 1; Ferri Carbonatis Saccharatæ, gr. 220. Mix. One teaspoonful early every morning. *In some forms of constipation and want of tone.*

## IX. CAUSTICS AND COUNTER-IRRITANTS.

195. *Acid Solution of Nitrate of Mercury.*

R. Liquoris Hydrargyri Nitratis Acidæ, fl. drs. 2; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, sufficient to make a mass. To be applied as a paste

over the surface to be destroyed. Instead, it is sometimes better to apply the caustic fluid itself for certain cases of cancer or lupus. The solution may also be carefully used to sloughing ulcers, boils, small *nævi*, &c. It is to be very lightly painted on by means of a glass brush or a glass rod.

#### 196. Chromic Acid.

*R.* Acidi Chromici, gr. 60; Aquæ, fl. drs. 4. Mix. To destroy warts, small growths of epithelial cancer, &c.

#### 197. Chloride of Zinc, &c.

*R.* Bromii Chloridi, Zinci Chloridi, Auri Chloridi, Antimonii Chloridi, of each equal parts. Mix into a paste of sufficient thickness with flour or powered liquorice. To destroy cancerous growths. Commonly known as LANDOLFI'S paste.

*R.* Sanguinariæ Canadensis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ —1; Zinci Chloridi, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ —2; Aquæ, fl. oz. 2; Farinæ, sufficient to make a paste. Mix. The paste thus formed should have the consistence of treacle. This is the caustic which was employed by DR. FELL.

*R.* Zinci Chloridi, gr. 30—60; Farinæ, gr. 120; Aquæ Destillatæ, sufficient to form a mass. To be applied over the diseased surface. Or it may be made into sticks or flèches, and kept dried ready for use. An effectual method of removing a cancerous tumour is to introduce a portion of such a stick into an incision made in the mass.

#### 198. Supersulphate of Zinc.

Take half a fluid ounce of sulphuric acid, and saturate it with sulphate of zinc, previously dried and powdered. Sir J. Y. SIMPSON recommended that this caustic should be used by dipping a pen in it, and then drawing lines across the tumour, so as to eat through the skin in a few minutes. The fissures thus made are to be filled with the paste; renewing the scratching and caustic every day or two. In this way, five or eight days may suffice for the removal of a good-sized tumour. By this combination also we can penetrate deeply without hardening the parts, and without fear of producing hæmorrhage.—This is a very valuable caustic, and found particularly useful by DR. TANNER for the removal of cancerous tumours of the breast, &c. The pain which it produces will be best mitigated by employing the subcutaneous injection of morphia (F. 314) at each application.

#### 199. Arsenical Mucilage.

*R.* Acidi Arseniosi, Pulveris Acaciæ, ʒʒ oz. 1; Aquæ, fl. drs. 5. Mix. The late DR. W. MARSDEN spoke highly of this caustic in epithelioma; but less dangerous applications should be preferred. If employed, however, the affected part should be painted over with the mixture night and morning; taking care rigorously to limit the application to the diseased parts, and not to let it extend over more than one superficial inch at a time. As the part sloughs, its separation is to be aided by bread and water poultices; while after all the disease has been got rid of in consequence of the repeated applications of the mucilage, a carrot poultice is to be applied during the night, and a weak black wash (calomel gr. 60 to lime water one pint) during the day until the part is healed.

200. *Lime and Arsenic Powder.*

℞. Calcis recentis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Arsenici Sulphureti Flavi, gr. 20; Pulveris Amyli, gr. 180. Mix to form a powder. *To be used very cautiously as a depilating powder. The application is not free from danger.*

201. *Red Oxide of Mercury Powder.*

℞. Hydrargyri Oxidi Rubri, Aluminis, ʒʒ gr. 60. Make a powder. *To be sprinkled over exuberant and spongy granulations.*

202. *Carbonate of Copper Ointment.*

℞. Cupri Carbonatis, gr. 60; Adipis Preparati, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix, to form an ointment. DEVERGIE.—*In chronic eczema and impetigo of the scalp where stimulating applications are required.*

203. *Dupuytren's Arsenic and Calomel Powder.*

℞. Acidi Arseniosi, gr. 12; Hydrargyri Subchloridi, oz. 1. Mix. *In ulcerated lupus. Must be very cautiously used.*

204. *Vienna Caustic.*

℞. Potassæ Causticæ, Calcis, ʒʒ oz. 1. Mix thoroughly. *This paste is diluted with alcohol, and applied with a spatula over a small surface. It is identical with the Potassa cum Calce of the London Pharmacopœia—1836.*

205. *Iodine Paint.*

℞. Iodi, gr. 40; Potassii Iodidi, gr. 80; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. oz. 1. Mix. *To be applied with a camel's hair pencil. Very useful in many chronic pains, &c.*

℞. Iodi, Potassii Iodidi, ʒʒ grs. 20; Collodii, fl. oz. 1. Mix.

℞. Iodi, gr. 120; Olei Petrolei Albi, fl. oz. 1. Mix. *To be applied with a firm brush. Very useful in ringworm; two or three applications at intervals of eight or ten days, will frequently effect a cure.*

The officinal LINIMENTUM IODI may also be used, but it must be diluted with from one to three parts of spirit or glycerine or tincture of aconite.

206. *Bromine and Iodine.*

℞. Bromi, min. 5; Iodi, gr. 18; Tincturæ Iodi, fl. oz. 1. Mix very cautiously so as to avoid all risk of an explosion. *To be employed to cancerous and rodent ulcers.*

207. *Croton Oil Liniment.*

℞. Olei Crotonis, min. 80; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix, for a liniment. *To produce rubefaction and a pustular eruption, where counter-irritation is required for the relief of diseases of internal organs.*

208. *Blistering and Epispastic Papers.*

The papers of M. Albespeyre have long been used in this country with great advantage, though they are less appreciated than in France.

They consist of—an epispastic paper for dressing blisters; a dulcifying paper for issues, causing neither smell nor pain, and blisters formed of an adhesive cloth without a plaster.

The Epispastic Paper, for dressing blisters, is prepared of four degrees of strength, under the designation of No. 1 feeble, No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3. No. 1 feeble possesses the least strength, and is suitable as a dressing for persons of irritable temperament, and for children. No. 1 has rather more salve spread upon it, and is adopted for patients whose blisters have risen well. No. 2 is employed for those whose blisters do not draw sufficiently, and require stimulating, whilst No. 3 possesses a still stronger power, and is used only in cases where the blister has a tendency to dry up. They all maintain an abundant discharge, without pain or heat; prevent the formation of false membranes; produce no irritation of the urinary passages; and cause no disagreeable smell.

The blisters—applied by the adhesive black side—really adhere to the skin, producing vesication in two hours (twelve at the furthest); and, if necessary, the same piece put on four or five times always gives rise to the blistering effect. They are, however, less required by British practitioners than they were prior to 1867, because there is now an excellent official CHARTA EPISPASTICA.

## X. DIAPHORETICS AND DIURETICS.

### 209. *Nitre and Ipecacuanha.*

R. Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 60, *vel* Potassæ Citratis, gr. 120; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Decoctum Hordei, ad O. 1. Mix. One small teacupful to be taken every two or three hours. *In severe catarrh with sore throat.*

### 210. *Antimony and Opium.*

R. Vini Antimonialis, fl. drs. 1—2; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. dr. 12; Extracti Opii Liquidii, min. 80; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *Each fluid drachm of the wine contains one-quarter of a grain of antimony.*

### 210a. *Jaborandi and Pilocarpine.*

R. Pulveris Jaborandi, gr. 60—90. Infuse in a cupful of hot water. When cool, let the infusion and the dregs be swallowed.

R. Pilocarpine Hydrochloratis, gr. 2; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 4. Dissolve. Dose,—one to three teaspoonfuls. Pilocarpine is most conveniently administered by hypodermic injection. The solution used may be of the strength of one grain to sixteen minims of distilled water. Four to eight drops (= gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  to gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) should be injected. Pilocarpine solutions do not keep well. Messrs. Savory & Moore make gelatine discs, each containing  $\frac{1}{4}$  grain, which keep well, and dissolve easily in a few minims of warm water. *Jaborandi and its alkaloid pilocarpine are the most powerful diaphoretics we possess. They rapidly produce profuse sweating, and usually also salivation. The sweating is increased by external warmth. The pulse is markedly quickened, and the pupil contracted. These drugs have been used successfully in scarlatinal nephritis, in uræmia,*

and chronic Bright's disease, in puerperal convulsions, and in ordinary catarrh. They have also a decided influence in increasing the secretion of milk in suckling women.

### 211. Nitrate of Potash and Aconite.

R. Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 120; Liquoris Ammoniacæ Acetatis, fl. drs. 18; Spiritus Ammoniacæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 30; Aquam, ad fl. oz. Mix. One-sixth part every four or six hours. In pneumonia, and many other acute inflammations. Sometimes it is preferable to give only the Solution of Acetate of Ammonia diluted with water (two or three fluid drachms to two ounces).

### 212. Ether and Ammonia.

R. Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 30—60; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 3; Liquoris Ammoniacæ Acetatis, fl. drs. 12; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8; Mix. One-sixth part three or four times a day. In the early stage of many febrile and inflammatory disorders.

R. Ammoniacæ Carbonatis, gr. 18—30; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 3; Vini Colchici, min. 30; Liquoris Ammoniacæ Acetatis, fl. drs. 20; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours. Valuable in some forms of pneumonia, gouty inflammation, &c.

### 213. Dover's Powder and Antimony, &c.

R. Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, gr. 5; Antimonii Tartarati, gr. 4. Mix, and make a powder to be taken every six hours.

R. Pulveris Opii, Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, 33 gr. 1; Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 8. Make a powder, to be taken every night at bedtime. An improvement on the ordinary Dover's powder.

### 214. Senega and Guaiac.

R. Tincturæ Guaiaci Ammoniatæ, fl. drs. 3—6; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 3. Mix thoroughly together, and then add,—Infusum Senegæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Three tablespoonfuls to be taken thrice daily. Useful in the latter stages of bronchitis, tonsillitis, &c. The action is diaphoretic, diuretic, stimulant, and expectorant.

R. Tincturæ Guaiaci Ammoniatæ, fl. drs. 2; Vitelli Ovi, 1. Beat thoroughly together, and then add,—Misturæ Amygdalæ, fl. oz. 4. Direct one-half to be taken twice a day. In chronic rheumatism.

### 215. Benzoate of Ammonia and Juniper.

R. Ammoniacæ Benzoatis, gr. 60—120; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Spiritus Juniperi, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. As a diuretic in dropsy and gout. In cases where the urine is loaded with phosphates. Also in catarrhal inflammation of the bladder with alkaline urine.

### 216. Ipecacuanha and Syrup of Poppies.

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 3. Mix. One teaspoonful every two or three hours. An infantile cough mixture.

*R.* Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 3; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. drs. 4; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. dr. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 2. *Mix.* One teaspoonful every two or three hours. *In the early stage of infantile fever, severe catarrh, bronchitis, and pneumonia.*

### 217. Antimony and Ipecacuanha.

*R.* Vini Antimonialis, min. 75; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Rhœados, fl. drs. 3; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. drs. 2; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. *Mix.* A small tablespoonful every two hours. *A depressing mixture for children two or three years of age.*

### 218. Citrate of Caffeine.

*Citrate of Caffeine is strongly recommended by DR. BRAKENRIDGE, of Edinburgh, as a diuretic of extraordinary power when given with digitalis in cardiac dropsy, very greatly increasing the diuretic effect of digitalis. He believes that it has a special stimulant action on the renal glandular epithelium, causing increase in the amount of urinary solids, whilst digitalis acts by increasing the vascular tension in the glomeruli. It is useful unaided in the later stages of nephritis, when the vascular tension is normal, but does no good in the early stage of acute nephritis, or in cardiac disease in which the vascular tension is very low. Three grains should be given three times daily.*

### 219. Squills, Digitalis, Broom, &c.

*R.* Potassæ Acetatis, gr. 120; Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 6; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Digitalis, min 30—fl. dr. 1; Succī Scoparii, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part every six or eight hours. *As a diuretic in dropsy dependent upon disease of the heart, liver, or peritoneum.*

*R.* Tincturæ Scillæ, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 4; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. drs. 12; Decoctum Scoparii, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *Diuretic and diaphoretic. In dropsies unaccompanied by inflammation, and not due to renal disease.*

*R.* Spiritus Juniperi, fl. drs. 4; Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, oz. 1; Decoctum Scoparii, ad fl. oz. 12. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *Diuretic and laxative.*

*R.* Pulveris Scillæ, gr. 6; Digitalis Foliæ, gr. 8—12; Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 30. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken night and morning with a wineglassful of the DECOCTUM SCOPARII. See F. 224.

*R.* Liquoris Potassæ, fl. drs. 1—2; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Croci, fl. drs. 3; Infusi Digitalis, fl. drs. 12; Syrupi, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *A valuable diuretic in some forms of cardiac and hepatic dropsy.*

### 220. Copaiba Resin.

*R.* Resinæ Copaibæ, gr. 90; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. dr. 1; Misturæ Acaciæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *As a diuretic in ascites.*

221. *Nitre, Juniper, and Ether.*

R. Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 60; Spiritûs Juniperi, fl. drs. 1—2; Spiritûs Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 3; Decoctum Chimaphilæ (Phar. Lond. 185 ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *A tonic and stimulating diuretic. In scrupula, atonic dropsies, catarrhal inflammation of the bladder, and some skin diseases.*

222. *Buchu and Cream of Tartar.*

R. Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, gr. 180; Infusi Buchu, fl. oz. 8. M. One-sixth part three times a day. *Diuretic and laxative. In irritated conditions of the bladder, owing to excess of uric acid in the urine. Also chronic rheumatism, dropsy, and some cutaneous diseases.*

223. *Buchu, Borax and Pareira.*

R. Boracis, gr. 40; Tincturæ Buchu, fl. drs. 6; Extracti Pareiræ Liquidi, fl. drs. 6; Decoctum Pareiræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six or eight hours. *In chronic catarrh of the bladder, and cutaneous affections, &c.*

224. *Digitalis, Squills, and Colchicum.*

R. Potassæ Citratis, gr. 200; Tincturæ Scillæ, fl. drs. 2; Vini Colchici, fl. drs. 1½; Liquoris Ammonisæ Acetatis, fl. drs. 12; Infusi Digitalis, fl. oz. 3; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *Diuretic and sedative. In some forms dropsy with disease of the mitral valves.*

225. *Digitalis, Squills, and Taraxacum.*

R. Digitalis Foliæ, Pulveris Scillæ, ʒʒ gr. 12; Extracti Taraxaci, gr. 36. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken twice a day. *Valuable as a diuretic in mitral disease. See F. 219.*

226. *Cantharides and Nitrous Ether.*

R. Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. drs. 1—2; Spiritûs Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 3; Spiritûs Juniperi, fl. drs. 4; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *May be cautiously tried in some cases of suppression of urine. Also in some diseases.*

227. *Taraxacum and Nitric Acid.*

R. Acidi Nitrici Diluti, fl. drms. 1; Succo Taraxaci, fl. drs. 6; Decoctum Taraxaci, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *Laxative, alterative, and diuretic. Especially useful in disease of the liver accompanied by inflammation.*

228. *Cream of Tartar and Taraxacum.*

R. Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, oz. 1; Extracti Taraxaci, gr. 36; Decoctum Taraxaci, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In jaundice independent of hepatitis or obstruction of the duct of the gall-bladder.*



229. *Oil of Juniper.*

R. Olei Juniperi, min. 20; Syrupi Limonis, fl. drs. 6; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, ad fl. oz. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 12. Mix. One-sixth part every six or eight hours. *The oil of juniper has not only a diuretic action, but it is also a diaphoretic and an emmenagogue and a cathartic. In too large doses it may cause inflammation of the bladder.*

230. *Conium, Digitalis, and Calomel.*

R. Digitalis Foliæ, Hydrargyri Subchloridi, ʒss gr. 5; Extracti Conii, gr. 60. Make a mass, divide into fifteen pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *As a sedative and diuretic in dropsy from cardiac disease.*

## XI. EMETICS AND EXPECTORANTS.

231. *Depressing Emetics.*

R. Antimonii Tartarati, gr. 1—2; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 2. Make a draught to be taken immediately. *Its action should be aided by the free administration of warm water.*

R. Antimonii Tartarati, gr. 1; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 20. Make a powder. To be taken in honey or cream, or as a bolus in wafer paper.

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. oz. 1. To be taken when it is desired to induce vomiting. *For children one fluid drachm, in tea or sweetened water, will generally suffice.*

Chloride of Apomorphia, in doses of gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  by the mouth, or of gr.  $\frac{1}{16}$  injected subcutaneously, is a prompt and unfailing emetic.

232. *Stimulant Emetics.*

R. Pulveris Sinapis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Aquæ, fl. oz. 3. Make a draught. To be taken immediately.

R. Cupri Sulphatis, gr. 10; Aquæ, fl. oz. 3. Make an emetic draught.

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 20—40; Aquæ, fl. oz. 3. Mix.

233. *A Warm Emetic.*

R. Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, Ammoniac Carbonatis, ʒss, gr. 20; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. dr. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 2. Make a draught. After taking it a tumblerful of Infusion of Chamomile Flowers (Infusion of Anthemidis) should be drunk. *Suggested by a formula of DR. DRUITT'S. In the incipient stages of fever, erysipelas, &c.*

234. *Tartar Emetic Mixture.*

R. Antimonii Tartarati, gr. 2; Syrupi Rhœadæ, Aquæ, ʒss fl. drs. 4. Mix and label,—“One teaspoonful every two hours, in a wineglassful of water, until there is nausea.” *As a depressant to the circulating and nervous systems.*

235. *Ammonia and Senega.*

R. Ammoniae Carbonatis, gr. 30; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Tinctura Scillæ, fl. drs. 2; Tinctura Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 2—4; Tinctura Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Senegæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every four hours. *In the chronic bronchitis of old people.*

R. Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 4; Spiritus Armoracis Compositi, min. 60; Tinctura Senegæ fl. drs. 6; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *A valuable stimulating expectorant in some cases of chronic bronchitis.*

R. Ammoniae Carbonatis, gr. 12; Vini Ipecacuanha, min. 40; Tinctura Senegæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Rhoeados, fl. drs. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 3; Mix. One dessertspoonful every two or three hours. *An excellent stimulating expectorant for young children recovering from croup. In whooping cough, where the bronchi are loaded with mucus.*

236. *Squills, Nitric Acid, and Bark or Steel.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ fl. drs. 6; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, fl. drm. 1; Tinctura Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 3—6; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 2; Infusum Cinchonæ Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In chronic catarrh with debility and restlessness.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 6; Tinctura Ferri Murialis, fl. drm. 1; Tinctura Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 3—6; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drm. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic catarrh with debility.*

237. *Ammoniacum and Opium.*

R. Tinctura Scillæ, fl. drs. 2; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 20—30; Syrupi Tolutani, fl. drs. 6; Mistura Ammoniaci, fl. oz. 5. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *A sedative and expectorant mixture in the chronic bronchitis of elderly people.*

238. *Sarsaparilla and Squills.*

R. Extracti Sarsæ Liquidum, Syrupi Scillæ, ʒʒ fl. drs. 12. Mix, and label,—“One teaspoonful in a teacupful of barley water frequently during the day.” *An agreeable demulcent and expectorant in inflammation of the mucous membranes about the throat and air passages.*

239. *Squills, Ammonia, and Morphia.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 6; Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Liquoris Morphi Hydrochloratis, fl. drm. 1 (equivalent to half a grain of the salt); Infusum Serpentariæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice a day. *In chronic catarrh.*

240. *Antimony and Ether.*

R. Vini Antimonialis, fl. drs. 1½; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part every four days. *The quantity of antimonial wine should be doubled when it is desirable to induce a feeling of nausea.*

241. *Ipecacuanha and Indian Sarsaparilla.*

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. drs. 3; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. One teaspoonful every two hours. *For children threatened with an attack of croup or bronchitis.*

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Lini, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours. *An emollient and expectorant in catarrh.*

242. *Indian Tobacco and Hemlock.*

R. Tincturæ Lobeliæ Ætheresæ, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Conii Fructus, fl. drs. 2—4; Misturam Amygdalæ, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours. *In spasmodic cough, and some forms of asthma.*

243. *Squills and Hemlock or Hyoscyamus.*

R. Pilulæ Scillæ Compositæ, Extracti Conii, ʒʒ gr. 30. Make a mass, divide into 12 pills, and order two to be taken every night at bedtime, *In chronic catarrh when opium is objectionable.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 6; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, Tincturæ Hyoscyami, ʒʒ fl. drs. 3; Infusum Rosæ Acidum, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In influenza, catarrh, &c.*

244. *Nitrous Ether, Ipecacuanha, and Hemlock.*

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 1½; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 6; Succii Conii, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Senegæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In chronic bronchitis, when an expectorant and sedative is required.*

245. *Dulcamara and Stramonium.*

R. Tincturæ Scillæ, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Stramonii, fl. drs. 1½; Infusum Dulcamaræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic catarrh and rheumatism, especially where the secretions of the skin and kidneys are deficient.*

246. *Benzoic Acid and Squills.*

R. Acidi Benzoici, gr. 40; Syrupi Scillæ, Syrupi Rhœados, ʒʒ fl. drs. 12. Make a linctus, of which one small teaspoonful is to be ordered to be taken every four hours. *In chronic bronchial affections with suppressed action of the liver.* See F. 49.

247. *Opium and Squills.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ, Syrupi Papaveris, Syrupi Tolutani, Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4. Make a linctus, of which a teaspoonful is to be directed to be taken frequently.

R. Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 10; Tincturæ Conii, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 4. Make a linctus, and order one teaspoonful to be taken when the cough is troublesome. See F. 346, 347.

## XII. GARGLES AND INHALATIONS.

248. *Hydrochloric Acid Gargle, &c.*

R. Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 3; Mellis Depurati, oz Infusum Rosæ Acidi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *In tonsillitis after the acute stage and in relaxed sore throat.*

249. *Zinc and Rhatany Gargle.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 20; Syrupi Mori, fl. drs. 4; Glycerini, fl. oz Infusum Krameriæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *For relaxation of the uvula & fauces.*

250. *Borax Gargles.*

R. Boracis, gr. 120; Tincturæ Myrrhæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz Mix. *Useful in aphthæ and ulcerations about the fauces.*

R. Boracis, gr. 120; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. Mix. *To be painted on the gums, tongue, &c., with a camel's-hair pencil. In aphthæ. This is now officinal and is preferable to BORAX HONEY, as the sugar of the latter favours the formation of fungi.*

R. Boracis, gr. 60; Glycerini, fl. drs. 12; Aquam Rosæ, ad fl. oz Mix. *To be painted over the tongue in some forms of ulceration of the tongue, &c.*

R. Boracis, gr. 180; Syrupi Scillæ, fl. drs. 1; Aquam ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *As a gargle in chronic inflammation of the fauces.*

251. *Tannin Gargle.*

R. Acidi Tannici, gr. 20; Spiritus Vini Gallici, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *The officinal TANNIC ACID LOZENGES may be used at the same time.*

R. Tincturæ Myrrhæ, fl. drs. 4; Acidi Tannici, gr. 35; Eau de Cologne, fl. drs. 12. Mix. *The gums are to be sponged with this preparation three or four times a day in cases of chronic gingivitis, ulceration, loosening of the teeth, &c.*

252. *Alum Gargles.*

R. Aluminis Exsiccati, gr. 80; Tincturæ Myrrhæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 7. Mix. *In mercurial salivation, ulceration about the mouth & fauces, &c.*

R. Aluminis Exsiccati, gr. 60; Tincturæ Capsici, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Mori, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Rosæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *In hoarseness, sore throat, &c., with relaxation of the uvula or tonsils.*

253. *Opium and Belladonna Gargle.*

R. Tincturæ Opii, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 3; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *To be used frequently in acute tonsillitis.*

254. *Chlorinated Soda Gargle.*

R. Liquoris Sodæ Chloratæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix.

*ulcerated sore throats, profuse salivation, &c. It may also be used as a lotion to foul gangrenous ulcers, as well as to the seat of irritation in prurigo.*

#### 255. Creasote Gargle.

R. Creasoti, min. 20; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix.

R. Creasoti, min. 20; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, Tincturæ Myrrhæ, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4; Syrupi Limonis, fl. drs. 12; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *In chronic inflammation of the throat, dysphonia clericorum, &c.*

#### 256. Corrosive Sublimate Gargle.

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 2; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, min. 30; Tincturæ Myrrhæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix.

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 3; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Extracti Conii, g. 60; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *Useful in syphilitic affections of the tongue and throat. The patient must use one tablespoonful at a time, and should be cautioned against swallowing it.*

#### 257. Permanganate of Potash Gargle.

R. Liquoris Potassæ Permanganatis, fl. oz. 1; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 100; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *In diphtheria, ulceration of fauces, &c.*

#### 258. Sulphite of Soda.

R. Sodæ Sulphitis, gr. 60; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. To be frequently applied by means of a camel's-hair pencil to the mucous membrane of the mouth and fauces. *In cases of aphthæ.*

#### 259. Iodine Inhalation.

R. Tincturæ Iodi, min. 30; Aquæ Calidæ, fl. oz. 4. Mix. The vapour is to be cautiously inhaled. *In some cases of laryngeal phthisis, diphtheria, &c.*

*In severe coryza great relief is given by holding a small bottle of Tincture of Iodine under the nose. The warmth of the hand suffices to vaporize the iodine.*

#### 260. Turpentine and Creasote Inhalations.

R. Olei Terebinthinæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Calidæ, fl. oz. 5. Mix. *In chronic bronchitis with excessive secretion. To be used with a common inhaler.*

R. Creasoti, min. 30; Aquæ Bullientis, fl. oz. 8. Mix. *In eczema and other affections of the nostrils, pharynx, &c.*

#### 261. Antiseptic Inhalations.

R. Spiritus Creasoti, fl. drs. 2; Acidi Carbolici, Glycerini, ʒʒ drs. 4; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. Ten drops at a time to be placed in DR. SINCLAIR COGHILL'S inhaler, or between two layers of cotton wool for inhalation.

R. Tincturæ Iodi Etheriæ, Acidi Carbolici, Creasoti, ʒʒ fl. dr. 1; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. drs. 4. Mix. Ten drops to be inhaled as above. *Extremely useful in phthisis and chronic bronchitis.*

## 261a. Nitrite of Amyl Inhalations.

*Nitrite of Amyl, inhaled cautiously from the bottle, or by crushing the thin glass capsules containing this drug (see F. 85a), is sometimes service in asthma.*

## 261b. Iodide of Ethyl Inhalations.

*Iodide of Ethyl by inhalation is highly praised by MR. LEE, of Paris, as beneficial in asthma. It may be obtained in thin glass capsules.*

## 262. Atomized Fluids for Inhalation.

The following drugs may be used in the form of spray. The amount mentioned is to be added to one ounce of water:—

Acidum Carbolicum . grs. 1 to 2	Hydrargyri Perchloridum . . . . . gr. $\frac{1}{12}$ to 1
Acidum Sulphurosum . fl. drs. 2 to 8	Liquor Arsenicalis . . min. 3 to 10
Acidum Tannicum . . grs. 3 to 12	Liquor Calcis Saccharatus . . . . . fl. drs. 1 to 2
Alumen Exsiccatum . grs. 3 to 20	Oleum Terebinthinæ . min. 1 to 2
Aqua Laurocerasi . . min. 5 to 20	Potassæ Chloras . . grs. 5 to 10
Argenti Nitras . . . grs. 1 to 3	Potassæ Permanganas grs. 2 to 5
Borax . . . . . grs. 5 to 20	Potassi Bromidum . . grs. 2 to 5
Extractum Belladonnæ gr. $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1	Potassi Iodidum . . grs. 2 to 5
Extractum Conii . . grs. 5 to 10	Sodii Chloridum . . grs. 5 to 10
Extractum Cannabis Indicæ . . . . . gr. $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1	Tinctura Ferri Perchloridi . . . . . min. 5 to 10
Extractum Opii . . . gr. $\frac{1}{4}$ to 2	Tinctura Iodi . . . min. 1 to 2
Ferri Ammonio-Sulphas . . . . . grs. 3 to 6	Tinctura Opii . . . min. 3 to 5
	Zinci Sulphas . . . grs. 3 to 5

The best instruments for dispersing the finest spray are—Dr. Siegel's in which steam is applied as the dispersing medium; a modification of this apparatus, made by Krohne and Sesemann; Dr. Bergson's or Andrew Clark's double handball spray producer; Mr. Maund's single handball.

*Atomized medicated fluids may be advantageously used in affections of the lining membrane of the nose, mouth, and fauces. In croup and diphtheria: Syphilitic affections of palate and throat: Laryngitis: Tonsillitis: Oedema of the glottis: Tubercular or syphilitic ulcerations of larynx: Hoarseness and loss of voice: Whooping cough: Asthma: Hæmoptysis: Bronchitis: Phthisis. During their application the patient should make deep long inspirations and expirations. Except in acute cases one application daily will suffice. In addition to the drugs mentioned above, 1 part glycerine may be used; or olive oil, or even cod liver oil; or plain water; or the undiluted sulphurous acid (in diphtheria).*

### XIII. LOTIONS, LINIMENTS, COLLYRIA AND OINTMENTS.

## 263. Hydrocyanic Acid Lotions.

R. Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, fl. drs. 8; Plumbi Acetatis, grs. 10; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Sambuci, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix. Impetigo, prurigo, &c.*

R. Liquoris Potassæ, fl. drs. 2; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Rosæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *In some cases of pityriasis.*

R. Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. oz. 1; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Infusum Tabaci, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* To be sponged twice or thrice daily over the seat of irritation. *In pruritus about the anus, vulva, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 3; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Misturam Amygdalæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* To check irritation in prurigo and other skin diseases of limited extent.

#### 264. Astringent Lotions.

R. Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Liquoris Plumbi Subacetatis, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. drs. 4; Aquam Rosæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* *In eczema, ecthyma, pityriasis, &c.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 16; Spiritus Rosmarini, Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, ʒʒ fl. drs. 2; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* The common "Red Lotion" of Hospitals. *Very useful for strumous and other ulcers.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 80; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* For many ill-conditioned ulcers.

R. Acidi Citrici, gr. 120; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* For cancerous sores. Also as a gargle in cancer of the tongue or tonsil. It relieves pain, and encourages cicatrization.

#### 265. Anodyne Lotions.

R. Tincturæ Aconiti, fl. drs. 12; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 4. *Mix.* In acute superficial pain, hyperæsthesia of skin, gout, pruritus, &c.

R. Tabaci Communis (Bird's-eye tobacco), gr. 120; Aquæ Bullientis, O. 1. Infuse for an hour, and strain. To be freely used in pruritus of the vulva or anus.

R. Tincturæ Belladonnæ, fl. oz. 1; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. oz. 2; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.*

R. Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 120; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. *Mix.* To be painted over the seat of pain in neuralgic diseases, and in limited inflammations. The mixture is to be made of double the strength, if required as an application to the breasts to check the secretion of milk.

#### 265a. Chloral Lotion.

R. Chloral Hydratis, drs. 4; Aquæ Ferventis, fl. oz. 16. Dissolve and apply the hot solution on Spongio-piline to the seat of pain. *Useful in various neuralgias.*

#### 265b. Chloral Camphor.

R. Chloral Hydratis, fl. drs. 4; Camphoræ, fl. drs. 4. Rub together till a clear liquid results. To be painted over the painful part in neuralgia.

#### 266. Alkaline and Anodyne Lotions.

R. Liquoris Morphię Hydrochloratis, fl. oz. 1½; Liquoris Potassæ, fl. drs. 2; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Laurocerasi, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Sambuci, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* For the relief of pruriginous affections.

R. Potassæ Sulphuratæ, gr. 90; Liquoris Potassæ, min. 30; Tinct. Aconiti, fl. drs. 4; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 12. **Mix.**

### 267. Acid and Anodyne Lotion.

R. Acidi Acetici, fl. drs. 1½; Morphię Acetatis, gr. 10; Vini Colici fl. oz. 3. **Mix.** *To be applied over the inflamed joint in gout, on a piece of lint covered with oiled silk.*

### 268. Borax or Soda, and Glycerine Lotions.

R. Boracis, gr. 60—120; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Sambuci, fl. o. **Mix.** *An excellent local palliative in many of the squamous diseases of the skin.*

R. Boracis, gr. 200; Morphię Hydrochloratis, gr. 10; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Rosæ, fl. oz. 7. **Mix.** *In obstinate pruritus of the vulva. The parts to be sponged twice or thrice in the twenty-four hours with lotion, previously washing them with glycerine (or honey) soap and water.*

R. Sodæ Carbonatis, gr. 120; Aquæ Sambuci, fl. oz. 7; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. **Mix.** *To allay the itching attendant on many skin diseases, hæmorrhoids, &c.*

### 269. Iodine Lotions.

R. Tincturæ Iodi, fl. oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. drs. 12; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. **Mix.** *For indolent and scrofulous ulcers, &c.*

R. Linimenti Iodi, fl. oz. drs. 4; Tincturæ Aconiti, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. **Mix.** *In some cases of chronic peritonitis; chronic pleurisy with effusion; chronic effusions into joints, &c. See F. 81.*

### 270. Creasote or Carbolic Acid, and Glycerine.

R. Creasoti, min. 35; Glycerini, fl. drs. 12; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 7. **Mix.** *For a lotion. In pityriasis, &c.*

R. Acidi Carbolici, gr. 100; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ, fl. o. 1. **Mix.** *For a lotion. In parasitic and pruriginous affections.*

R. Glycerini Acidi Carbolici, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 5. **Mix.** *The affected part to be sponged with the lotion three or four times in the twenty-four hours. In all parasitic skin diseases.*

### 271. Corrosive Sublimate Lotions.

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 10; Ammonii Chloridi, gr. 60; Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 100; Liquoris Morphię Hydrochloratis, fl. oz. 2. **Mix.** *Label,—“One teaspoonful to be added to a wineglass of water to form a lotion.” In pruritus of the vulva or anus.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 4; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, min. 100; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. drs. 4; Aquam Sambuci, ad fl. oz. 8. **Mix.** *and label,—“To be sponged upon the spots and rough surfaces in the morning.” In chloasma, some forms of acne, &c.*

### 272. Sulphurous Acid and Sulphocyanide Lotion.

R. Acidi Sulphurosi, fl. oz. 2; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 6. **Mix.** *For skin diseases dependent on a parasitic plant.*



R. Acidi Sulphurosi, Glycerini, ʒʒ fl. oz. 1. Mix. *In ringworm, favus, and for the destruction of parasitic lichens.* Should be painted over the affected parts.

R. Potassi Sulphocyanidi, gr. 240; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 7. Mix. *In ringworm, &c.* To be well rubbed into the diseased patch, after careful washing and drying, and also applied on lint.  
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272a. *Hyposulphite of Soda Lotion.*

R. Sodæ Hyposulphitis gr. 100; Aquæ fl. oz. 4. Dissolve. *In Chloasma.*

272b. *Thymol Lotion.*

R. Thymol, gr. 5; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix, to form a lotion. *Has been recommended for tinea.*

273. *Cold Lotions.*

R. Liquoris Ammonia Acetatis, fl. oz. 1; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. oz. 2; Aquæ Rosæ, fl. oz. 5. Mix. *As an evaporating lotion in inflammation of the membranes of the brain. To be applied after the scalp has been shaved.*

R. Ammonii Chloridi, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. oz. 1; Acidi Acetici Diluti, fl. drs. 12; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix.

274. *Absorbent Lotions.*

R. Zinci Oxidi, gr. 160; Aquæ Rosæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. *Useful in impetigo, eczema, &c.*

R. Zinci Oxidi, gr. 160; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, Aquæ Destillatæ, ʒʒ fl. oz. 4. Mix.

275. *Hydrastis Lotion.*

R. Tincturæ Hydrastis, fl. dr. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix, to form a lotion. *Useful for piles, prolapsus ani, sore nipples, chronic inflammation of mucous membrane, and chronic indolent ulcers.*

275a. *Hamamelis Lotion.*

R. Tincturæ Hamamelis, fl. dr. 1; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. To be injected into the rectum daily. *Very useful for piles.*

276. *Mercurial Liniments.*

R. Linimenti Hydrargyri, fl. oz. 2; Linimenti Belladonnæ, Linimenti Opii, ʒʒ fl. oz. 1. Mix. *In syphilitic tubercles, nodes, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Perchloridi, gr. 6; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, min. 90; Aquæ Laurocerasi, fl. drs. 2; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Destillatam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *To be used every night in cases of chloasma, syphilitic nodes and eruptions, &c.*

R. Unguenti Hydrargyri, oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Iodi, gr. 120; Olei Olivæ, fl. oz. 2. Mix. *To be gently rubbed over syphilitic nodes.*

277. *Rubefacient Liniment.*

R. Pulveris Capsici, gr. 30; Olei Maciæ, min. 30; Linimenti binthine, fl. oz. 3; Linimenti Camphoræ Compositi, fl. oz. 5. *As a liniment to the chest in some cases of bronchitis.*

278. *Stimulating Liniment.*

R. Linimenti Saponis, Linimenti Opii, Linimentæ Camphoræ positi, ʒʒ fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Arnicæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix. *To be rubbed round the throat, on a strip of flannel, in subacute tonsillitis, common throat, &c.*

279. *Camphor Liniment and Opium, &c.*

R. Linimenti Camphoræ Compositi, fl. oz. 2; Tincturæ Opii, turæ Belladonnæ, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4. Mix. *To be rubbed over the scro cordis to check obstinate nausea and vomiting, pain, &c.*

280. *Iodide of Potassium Liniment.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, vel Ammonii Iodidi, gr. 40; Aquæ, fl. d Mix, and add—Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. *Useful in some glandular en ments, as well as for dispersing the chalkstones of gout.*

281. *Belladonna and Aconite Liniment.*

R. Linimenti Belladonnæ, Linimenti Aconiti, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4; Lini Camphoræ Compositi, fl. oz. 3. Mix. *The seat of pain to be r with this liniment for ten minutes at bedtime. In pleurodynia, ch rheumatism, and painful nervous affections.*

For the same class of cases a good liniment may be made with part of belladonna liniment, one of opium liniment, and four of tu tine liniment.

R. Linimenti Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 3; Glycerini, fl. drs. 5; Lini Saponis, fl. oz. 2. Mix. *The spine to be rubbed with this lini night and morning for five minutes. In whooping cough. May be for a child five years old.*

282. *Chloroform, Belladonna, and Aconite Liniment.*

R. Linimenti Chloroformi, Linimenti Aconiti, Linimenti Bellad Linimenti Opii, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4; Linimenti Saponis, fl. oz. 2. Mix. *be rubbed into the painful part night and morning. In neuralgic rheumatic pains of great severity.*

283. *Cod Liver Oil Embrocations.*

R. Olei Morrhue, fl. drs. 14; Spiritus Ammonie Aromatici, fl. c Tincturæ Opii, fl. drs. 2; Olei Lavandulæ, min. 30. Mix. *One-h be well rubbed over the chest and abdomen, night and morning. phthisis and other cases where the use of cod liver oil is indicated, but a the stomach will not bear it.*

R. Olei Morrhue, fl. oz. 1; Olei Cajuputi, fl. drs. 1. Mix. T rubbed over the chest at bedtime. *The cajuput oil well disguises all of this embrocation.*

284. *Cacoutchouc Solution.*

Take some thin pieces of india rubber, or of gutta percha, and dissolve them in chloroform. A good protective solution. *To be painted over superficial excoriations, threatened bed sores, &c.*

285. *Collodium Paints.*

A good artificial cuticle, which when spread on the skin will not crack, may be formed by mixing two parts of glycerine with one hundred of collodion.—The official COLLODIUM FLEXILE consists of one fluid drachm of castor oil, one hundred and twenty grains of Canada balsam, and 6 fluid ounces of collodion.—*Either preparation may be used as a varnish in various cutaneous affections, excoriations, or superficial burns.* DR. RICHARDSON'S "Styptic Colloid" may be used in the same way.

R. Collodii Flexilis, fl. drs. 4; Morphine Acetatis, gr. 5—20. Mix. *To be painted over the course of the affected nerve in neuralgia.*

286. *Glycerine and Lime Water, &c.*

R. Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 120; Mellis Depurati, gr. 120; Liquoris Calcis Saccharati, fl. oz. 1½; Misturam Amygdalæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *A good bland embrocation in cases of herpes, superficial burns, chapped hands, excoriations, &c.*

The official LINIMENTUM CALCIS, consisting of equal parts of olive oil and lime water, is also useful in some of the above-mentioned cases. For chapped hands the GLYCERINE OF STARCH is an excellent preparation.

R. Linimenti Aconiti, fl. drs. 2; Linimenti Calcis, fl. drs. 10. Mix. *In vulval pruritus.*

R. Acidi Carbolici, gr. 60—120; Linimenti Calcis, fl. oz. 8. Mix. *To prevent suppuration in burns, &c.*

286a. *Soda Lotion for Burns.*

*A saturated solution of Bicarbonate of Soda in cold water (about 35 grains to the ounce) has often proved successful in the treatment of burns and scalds. It is said to allay the pain very rapidly. Lint thoroughly wetted with the saturated solution should be kept constantly on the injured part.*

287. *Ammonia and Cantharides, &c.*

R. Spiritus Ammonie Aromatici, Spiritus Rosmarini, Glycerini, aa fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. drs. 3—6; Aquam Rosæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. *To be gently brushed into the scalp night and morning, when the hair is falling off after fever or any severe illness.*

A more elegant embrocation may be made by adding two fluid drachms of Tincture of Cantharides to two ounces of Eau de Cologne.

R. Balsami Tolutani vel Peruviani, gr. 120; Olei Rosmarini, min. 20; Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. drs. 4; Olei Ricini, fl. oz. 1; Adipis Præparati, oz. 1. Mix. *A valuable pomade in cases of baldness following ringworm, pityriasis, or tinea decalvans. It should be brushed into the scalp night and morning.*

288. *Sulphate of Atropia.*

R. Atropiæ Sulphatis, gr. 1; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. drs. 4. *Dilatation of the pupil is effected most speedily and is longest maintained by a solution of this kind. A full drop must be placed in the eye by means of a camel's-hair pencil; the effect will be produced in from fifteen to twenty minutes, and will sometimes continue for seven or eight days.*

The official LIQUOR ATROPIÆ SULPHATIS contains half a grain of the salt in each drachm. It is preferable to the Liquor Atropiæ for ophthalmic purposes; inasmuch as the spirit which is used in the latter to keep the alkaloid in solution causes considerable pain to the eyes when it is applied.

Discs of gelatine impregnated with atropine are prepared according to the instructions of MR. ERNEST HART and MR. STREETFELD. These discs dissolve and act very efficiently when placed in contact with the moist conjunctiva. A piece, one-fifth of an inch square, contains as much of the Sulphate of Atropine as a drop of the solution of two grains to the ounce of water. Such discs, dissolved in water, are also very convenient for hypodermic injections.

288a. *Homatropine.*

Homatropine is obtained by chemical processes from atropine. It acts very rapidly and powerfully paralyses the accommodation and dilates the pupil. It has the special advantage that both effects pass away much more rapidly than when atropine is used. The solution used for instillation into the eye is a watery solution of 4 grains to the fluid ounce.

289. *Duboisia.*

R. Extracti Duboisæ Aquosi, gr. 2½; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1. Dissolve. One or two drops to be placed in the eye. *Duboisia is a powerful mydriatic than belladonna, and rapidly paralyses accommodation. An alkaloid, "Duboisine" has been prepared from it, which bears a strong resemblance to atropine. Solutions of Duboisine of the strength of 4 grains to the ounce are powerfully mydriatic, but have on several occasions produced unpleasant toxic symptoms.*

290. *Sedative Collyria.*

R. Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 2—4; *vel* Extracti Opii, gr. 2—5; Morphiæ Hydrochloratis, gr. 1—2; *vel* Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 10; *vel* Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 5—30; Aqua Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1.

291. *Astringent Collyria.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 2—4; *vel* Aluminis Exsiccati, gr. 1—4; Tincturæ Arnicæ, min. 5—30; *vel* Cupri Sulphatis, gr. 1—4; *vel* Argenti Nitratis, gr. 1—4; *vel* Liquoris Plumbi Subacetatis, min. 10; *vel* Cæci Sulphatis, gr. 1—3; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix.

R. Zinci Oxidi, gr. 60; Aquæ Rosæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. *For an eye wound to be used night and morning.*

292. *Eserine.*

R. Eseriæ Sulphatis, gr. 2; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. oz. 1. Dissolve. *For instillation into the eye. Eserine causes contraction of the pupil.*

*spasm of accommodation. It is invaluable in some cases of glaucoma and in some corneal ulcers.*

293. *Iodide of Lead Ointments.*

R. Plumbi Iodidi, gr. 60; Unguenti Atropiæ, gr. 60—120 (each ounce contains eight grains of the alkaloid); Unguenti Simplicis, ad. oz. 1. Mix. *In some malignant indurations.*

R. Plumbi Iodidi, gr. 90; Unguenti Cetacei, oz. 1; Linimenti Belladonnæ, vel Linimenti Aconiti, fl. drm. 1. Mix. *For malignant and painful strumous ulcers.*

293a. *Soothing Lead Ointment.*

R. Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 4; Lithargyri, drs. 3; Adipis, drs. 2; Cera Flavæ, drm. 1. Mix, to form an ointment. *Excellent for eczema. A modification of HEBRA'S Unguentum Diachyli.*

294. *Sulphate of Zinc Ointment.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis Exsiccata, gr. 120; Unguenti Simplicis, oz. 1. Mix. *Very useful in some forms of lupus, rodent ulcer, &c. The officinal ALUMEN EXSICCATUM may be employed in the same cases.*

295. *Tar and Citrine Ointment.*

R. Unguenti Picis Liquidæ, oz. 1½; Unguenti Cetacei, oz. 1; Unguenti Hydrargyri Nitratis, oz. ½. Mix. *In lepra, psoriasis, chronic eczema, &c.*

296. *Aconitine Ointments.*

R. Unguenti Aconitæ, oz. ¼ (—to grs. 2 of the alkaloid); Unguenti Hydrargyri Subchloridi, oz. 1—2. Mix. *In some forms of neuralgia.;*

R. Unguenti Aconitæ, gr. 120. *In severe neuralgia. A small portion is to be painted over the nerve, but it must not be used where there is the slightest abrasion.*

297. *Belladonna and Opium.*

R. Extracti Belladonnæ, Extracti Opii, āā gr. 60; Aquæ Laurocerasi fl. drs. 4; Extracti Papaveris, oz. 3. Mix. *To be painted over the seat of inflammation in pleurisy, peritonitis, gout, gastric disease, &c. A fomentation flannel, or hot linseed poultice, or wet compress is to be applied, being separated from the extracts by a sheet of tissue paper.*

R. Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 120; Extracti Papaveris, oz. 2; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. oz. 1. Mix and label,—“To be painted over the seat of pain, which is then to be covered with water dressing or a bread and water poultice. Poison.” *For inflammation of the absorbents, lymphatic glands, gallstone disease, peritonitis, &c.*

298. *Mercurial and Belladonna Ointments.*

R. Unguenti Hydrargyri, gr. 10; Unguenti Atropiæ, gr. 30. *For relieving cases of severe nocturnal pain around the orbit; it is to be rubbed into the temple just before the pain may be expected.*

R. Linimenti Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 2; Unguenti Hydrargyri Subchloridi, oz. 1. Mix. *In syphilitic tubercular diseases,*

299. *Oleate of Mercury.*

R. Hydrargyri Oxidi Flavi, drs. 2; Acidi Oleici, fl. drs. 10. Dissolve by the aid of a heat of 300° Fahr. *Recommended by MR. MARSHALL University College as a substitute for the ordinary blue ointment for use in syphilis.*

R. Hydrargyri Oxidi Flavi, dr. 1; Acidi Oleici, fl. drs. 10. Dissolve and add Morphine gr. 10. The pure alkaloid must be used. *For chronic inflammations of joints, &c.*

R. Hydrargyri Oxidi Flavi, dr. 1; Acidi Oleici, fl. drs. 10. Dissolve and add Ether, fl. drs. 10. *For parasitic diseases of the skin.*

299a. *Salicylic Acid Ointment.*

R. Acidi Salicylici, dr. 1; Vaseline, oz. 1. Mix, to form an ointment. *Excellent for tinea.*

299b. *Boracic Acid Ointment.*

R. Acidi Boracici, dr. 1; Cerae Albæ, dr. 1; Adipis Preparati, drs. 2; Olei Amygdalæ, drs. 2. Mix, to form an ointment.

R. Acidi Boracici, drs. 3; Vaseline, drs. 5; Paraffin, drs. 10. 1 *Antiseptic ointment for wounds, and useful in some skin diseases.*

300. *Carbolic Acid Ointment.*

R. Acidi Carbolicci, gr. 25—40; Unguenti Zinci, oz. 3. Mix. *A dressing for irritable sores or burns or skin eruptions with offensive discharges.*

301. *Creasote and Red Oxide of Mercury.*

R. Creasoti, min. 10; Unguenti Hydrargyri Oxidi Rubri, gr. 1. Unguenti Simplicis, gr. 360. Mix. *In parasitic diseases of the skin ulcerations of rupia, &c.*

302. *Red Iodide of Mercury Ointment.*

R. Hydrargyri Iodidi Rubri, gr. 8; Unguenti Simplicis, oz. 1. 1 *In chronic glandular tumours, a small portion rubbed in every night proves very useful. The official ointment is double the strength of the foregoing and hence it causes pain and blistering.*

303. *Croton Oil and Lard.*

R. Olei Crotonis, min. 15; Adipis Preparati, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix. ( *fourth part to be rubbed into the skin every eight hours, until abundant pustular eruption is produced. Useful as a counter-irritant*

304. *Chrysophanic Acid Ointment.*

R. Acidi Chrysophanici, gr. 10—20; Adipis, oz. 1. Mix. *It is a stain the surrounding skin purplish-red, the affected spots themselves become dull-white. It also stains the linen, but such stains may be removed by benzole or bleaching powder, if no soap or alkali have been used. For Psoriasis Chrysophanic acid ointment has also been recommended for Tinea Tonsur must be used cautiously. Of late the internal use of Chrysophanic Acid*

*psoriasis has been recommended. The dose at first should be half a grain, cautiously increased. It may be made into powders with sugar or milk, or into a pill with bread crumbs.*

### 305. Diluted Citrine Ointment.

R. Unguenti Hydrargyri Nitratis, gr. 40—120; Unguenti Cetacei, gr. 240. Mix. *As a stimulant and alterative in chronic skin diseases. May be applied to the edges of the eyelids in ophthalmia to prevent their adhering at night.*

### 306. Compound Spermaceti Ointments.

R. Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, fl. dr. 1; Unguenti Atropiæ, gr. 120; Unguenti Cetacei, oz. 1. Mix. *In cutaneous diseases attended with pain and itching.*

R. Balsami Peruviani, gr. 60; Unguenti Cetacei, oz. 1. Mix. *In slight excoriations.*

R. Balsami Peruviani, gr. 60; Unguenti Cetacei, oz. 2; Alkannæ Tinctoriæ Radicis, gr. 60; Olei Rosæ (Otto of Roses), min. 10. Mix. *Useful as a lip salve and as an application to chapped hands and sore nipples.*

### 307. Belladonna and Iodide of Potassium.

R. Linimenti Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 2; Unguenti Potassii Iodidi, oz. 1. Make an ointment. The Liniment of Aconite may be substituted for the Belladonna, if desired. *In painful chronic tumours, neuralgia, &c.*

### 308. Iodine and Cod Liver Oil Ointment.

R. Unguenti Iodi, Olei Morrhuæ, āā fl. drs. 4. Mix. *Useful when rubbed upon the throat in bronchocele; as well as when applied to strumous glands, unsuppurating buboes, and the tumid bellies of children with tubercular disease of the abdomen.*

### 309. Iodoform Ointment.

R. Iodoformi, grs. 30—60; Vaseline, oz. 1. Mix, to form an ointment. *Iodoform is an admirable remedy for chronic ulcers and sores, especially for those of a scrofulous or syphilitic nature. It may be used in the form of ointment, or iodoform itself may be sprinkled occasionally over the raw surface, and boracic ointment applied.*

### 310. Compound Sulphur Ointments.

R. Unguenti Creasoti, Unguenti Sulphuris, āā oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix. *In pityriasis, and some other chronic cutaneous affections.*

R. Sulphuris Iodidi, gr. 12; Unguenti Simplicis, oz. 1. Mix. *In acne, applied thrice daily. The officinal iodide of sulphur ointment is one-third stronger.*

R. Sulphuris Iodidi, gr. 12; Sulphuris Præcipitati, gr. 20; Olei Amygdalæ Amaræ, min. 5; Adipis Præparati, oz. 1. Mix.

R. Unguenti Hydrargyri Ammoniati, gr. 120; Unguenti Sulphuris gr. 860. Mix. *A good antiparasitic ointment.*

311. *Bismuth and Morphia Ointment.*

R. Bismuthi Subnitratis, oz. 1; Morphiæ Acetatis, gr. 6; Adipis Benzoati, oz. 3. Mix. *For irritable ulcers and eruptions, piles, &c.*

312. *Storax Ointment.*

R. Styracis, fl. oz. 1; Spiritus Rectificati, fl. drs. 2. Mix, and add Olei Olivæ, fl. dr. 1. *A pleasant substitute for sulphur ointment in the treatment of scabies. Peruvian Balsam is also a good application for the same affection.*

312a. *Staphisagria Ointment.*

R. Olei Staphisagriæ, fl. dr. 1; Adipis, oz. 1. Mix, to form an ointment. *Useful to destroy pediculi and to cure prurigo scitilla.*

## XIV. NARCOTICS AND SEDATIVES.

313. *Anæsthetics.*

The chief Anæsthetics which have hitherto been used in the practice of medicine are chloroform, ether, and nitrous oxide. As the employment of one or other of these agents is often indicated in calculous nephralgia, gallstone, colic, some cases of cancer, neuralgia, maniacal delirium, convulsions, the paroxysmal dyspnoea of infantile laryngismus and diphtheria and croup, as well as in spasmodic diseases generally, a few words on their mode of administration may not be out of place.

The principal advantages of inhalation are these:—That by means of the immense surface offered by the air-cells of the lungs for absorption, a deeper and more rapid effect is induced than it would be safe or easy to effect by other means. At the same time, the digestive functions are less interfered with than when narcotics are given in the ordinary way.

In every form of inhalation (with the exception of the nitrous oxide, ether, and perhaps of the bichloride of methylene) the anæsthetic should be freely diluted with common air, and no attempt made to produce rapid narcotism; while the breathing ought to be allowed to go on quietly and naturally. The patient should be tranquil, fearless, and usually in the recumbent posture. If false teeth are worn, they are to be removed; since if there be any struggling, or sickness, or cough, the plate may become separated from the gums and be drawn into the pharynx, or may get to the back of the fauces and produce asphyxia by pressing on the glottis. And then the administrator of the narcotic agent, while watching the respiration and the countenance, had better also keep his finger on the pulse. For if the breathing becomes stertorous, or if it stop, or if it appear difficult and the pupils become widely dilated, or if there is evidence that the circulation is getting weak and faltering, the inhalation must be completely suspended; while, if more serious symptoms follow, the body should be gently and gradually turned over to the left side, so as to allow of the region of the heart and the left side of the face resting upon the couch. According to Mr. BADER, this practice has been found very efficient at Guy's Hospital in removing dangerous symptoms.



*Chloroform* was introduced into practice by SIR JAMES Y. SIMPSON, of Edinburgh, in November, 1847. The vapour of this hot, sweet, heavy liquid may be inhaled by individuals of all ages, from infants under one year to persons as old as ninety; and in almost all states of the system. The exceptional cases which preclude its employment, at all events in medical practice, are instances of marked blood-poisoning, of far advanced cardiac or pulmonary or cerebral disease, and perhaps of habitual drunkenness. It may be administered from an apparatus such as the late DR. SNOW recommended; but SIR JAMES SIMPSON always used a simple napkin folded into the shape of a funnel. A crumpled handkerchief in a tumbler forms a convenient inhaler; or a still more convenient inhaler is formed by a piece of lint made into a cone, upon the apex of which the chloroform can be dropped as required. MR CLOVER employs a bag containing an admixture of air and chloroform vapour in definite proportion. But in whatever way it is exhibited care must be taken that it does not come into contact with the lips and nose; since it produces painful excoriations. Chloroform should also be given slowly and cautiously; and it acts best before breakfast, or when the patient's stomach is empty. If administered immediately after food, sickness is sure to result. According to DR. SNOW, about four cubic inches of vapour, or rather more than five grains, of chloroform to each hundred cubic inches of air, is the proportion most suitable for causing insensibility to surgical operations; but according to the Report of the Chloroform Committee of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society the proportion of vapour should not exceed three and a half per cent. As a general rule, however, in medical and obstetric cases it needs only to be used in a more diluted form.—When an overdose has been given, the patient should be made to inhale ether, as it counteracts the depressing action which chloroform exerts on the heart. Or artificial respiration, performed in the manner to be presently described, may be resorted to; the success of which will depend upon the extent to which the heart and the muscles of respiration have been paralysed by the chloroform. When death occurs, it arises from the failure of the functions of respiration and circulation. Respiration generally ceases, and then the heart's action stops. DR. SNOW gave this anæsthetic in 4000 or more cases, with the loss of only one person while inhaling it; and amongst these were patients with heart disease, phthisis, and several who had suffered from apoplexy. It has been computed that during the Crimean war chloroform was administered 40,000 times, death resulting in only one case.

*Ether* (first used as an anæsthetic in September, 1846, by DR. W. T. G. MORTON, of Boston, Massachusetts) is thought to be a safer agent for inducing narcotism than chloroform; but although it is so, still it must be given with caution. The disadvantages of ether are the longer time and large quantity of the agent required, the struggling excited, and the disagreeable irritation of the throat produced. About one fluid ounce is usually inhaled by an adult in becoming insensible; though not more than half this quantity is absorbed, the remainder being thrown back from the lungs. Some of the disadvantages may be avoided by first inducing insensibility by nitrous oxide and then giving ether to keep it up. An excellent anæsthetic for obstetric practice may be made with equal parts of ether and chloroform.

*Amylene* is made by distilling amylic alcohol (obtained from crude fusel oil, or oil of potato spirit) with chloride of zinc. In the present

state of our knowledge, it is not advisable to resort to this agent. DR. SNOW seems to have administered it in 238 cases, and to have had two deaths from it.

In October, 1867, DR. RICHARDSON recommended the use of the *Bichloride of Methylene* as a general anæsthetic. He did so on these grounds amongst others:—(1) The sleep produced by it is as deep as that by chloroform, but more natural and agreeable. (2) The second degree of narcotism is shorter than with other anæsthetics. (3) When the effects are fully developed, the narcotism is very prolonged and is easily reproduced. (4) The final escape of the bichloride from the organism is rapid: hence the recovery from its influence is sudden, it rarely produces headache, sickness, or any sense of exhaustion. (5) When it destroys life, it does so by equally paralysing the organs of respiration and circulation. (6) It combines with ether and with chloroform in all proportions. And indeed, in its properties generally, it seems to resemble a compound of these two agents.

DR. RICHARDSON has also shown that by saturating *Ether with Chloride of Methyl* an anæsthetic is formed. The product has, however, the disadvantage of not being a very stable compound; and hence he does not at present recommend its employment.

The *Tetrachloride of Carbon* has been employed for producing anæsthesia during surgical operations, for abolishing the pains of parturition, for the relief of neuralgia and hay fever and toothache, for the induction of sleep, as well as for subduing excessive palpitation of the heart. DR. SANSON says that amylene and the tetrachloride of carbon have an analogous action. He does not recommend the latter where such anæsthesia as is necessary for a surgical operation is required; but thinks a mixture of six parts of chloroform and one of tetrachloride may prove valuable. The latter, in its pure state, can be used where it is only necessary to relieve pain without destroying consciousness: to this extent its action is that of a stimulant, anodyne, and hypnotic.

The inhalation of *Nitrous Oxide* to prevent the pain of surgical operations was suggested by SIR HUMPHRY DAVY in 1799, when he ascertained that its respiration produced effects analogous to those caused by drinking fermented liquors—usually a transient intoxication, or violent exhilaration. These effects were shown in popular lectures at the Adelaide Gallery, in London, somewhere about 1840. In 1844, DR. COLTON administered it to an American dentist—Horace Wells, and painlessly extracted one of his teeth. The introduction of ether inhalation by DR. MORTON, in 1846, withdrew professional attention from the nitrous oxide. The latter has, however, again been introduced into practice, and is now being largely employed by dentists. DR. COLTON is said to have given it in twenty-eight thousand cases without an accident. The great advantages of this gas over other anæsthetics seem to be its safety; the fact that it induces insensibility in from 60 to 180 seconds; that the complete insensibility lasts for about half a minute; while in about a couple of minutes afterwards there is restoration to consciousness without any sickness or faintness. Nitrous oxide is inhaled undiluted with atmospheric air: when used mixed with air it causes a prolonged stage of exhilaration—whence it was known as “laughing gas.”

An excellent anæsthetic, which has been very largely used by the Author, can be made by mixing equal parts of pure *Chloroform* and *Ether*. No special apparatus is required for its employment: though

the flannel mask recommended by DR. SKINNER, with the drop bottle, will be found convenient. The only precaution necessary is that there should be no impediment to the free admission of air.—The Chloroform Committee of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society has recommended a mixture composed by measure of three parts of ether, two of chloroform, and one of alcohol. That this is safer than pure chloroform cannot be doubted; but it has seemed to the Author less useful than this agent with an equal quantity of ether.

In apparent death from any anæsthetic, *artificial respiration*, after the plan recommended by DR. SYLVESTER, ought to be tried. The body is to be laid on its back, with the head and shoulders slightly raised. The mouth and nostrils are to be cleansed from mucus; and the tongue should be drawn firmly forwards so as to keep the tip well protruded at the side of the mouth. Then the operator is to compress, for two or three seconds, the front and sides of the chest by the patient's own arms. Thus the medicated vapour will be partly expelled from the lungs; while upon the pressure being suddenly removed, the elastic walls of the chest will expand, and give the primary impetus to respiration. To assist expansion to the utmost the ribs should be drawn upwards by means of the pectoral muscles. This is effected by the operator grasping the arms just above the elbows, and drawing them upwards until they nearly meet above the head. Then they must be lowered, and replaced at the sides; at the same time making moderate pressure with them, for a couple of seconds against the chest walls. This process is to be repeated fifteen times in the minute. At the same time the face ought to be well fanned. No attempt should be made to administer stimulants by the mouth.

In some instances, galvanism of the phrenic nerve, diaphragm, and intercostal muscles would be useful in keeping up the movements of respiration; one pole of the battery being applied over the outer edge of the sterno-mastoid muscle just above the clavicle, while the other is pressed deeply into the seventh intercostal space. The diaphragm must be made to contract and relax alternately, by interrupting the currents at different intervals.

While attempts are thus being made to oxygenate the blood, an assistant is to rub the limbs from the extremities towards the heart. If no respiratory efforts supervene, the face and chest are to be dashed with cold water, or with hot and cold water alternately. When success follows this plan the temperature of the body must be maintained by friction, hot blankets, the warm bath, &c.

### 314. *Morphia, Atropine, Aconitine, &c., for Subcutaneous Injection.*

The solution of *Acetate of Morphia* as used for injection under the skin can be well made by mixing ten grains of this salt with one fluid drachm of distilled water. It is unnecessary to rub up the salt with hot distilled water and acetic acid, subsequently neutralizing the latter with liquor potassæ. The solubility of the acetate of morphia in water is 1 in 6; of the hydrochlorate, 1 in 20.

Each six minims of a solution thus made will contain one grain of acetate of morphia. For first injections not more than one minim and a half should be used; as it is certain that this narcotic acts more powerfully when thus employed, than when taken into the stomach. In diseases which are continuously painful, the ease given by an injection will last for about twelve hours. To relieve the suffering of advanced

cancer, &c., the injection may be advantageously given, night and morning, for many months.

A solution of *Bimeconate of Morphia* for hypodermic injections is prepared by MR. PETER SQUIRE. Each minim of this concentrated solution is equivalent to min. 16 of the official tincture of opium, or to one-sixth of a grain of acetate of morphia.

The subcutaneous injection of morphia often causes troublesome nausea and retching, which may continue for 18 or 20 hours. This unpleasant result can be obviated, according to DR. JOHN HARLEY, by administering a small quantity of atropine ( $\frac{1}{4}$  of a grain) with the morphia. A useful solution for general purposes is gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Acetate of Morphia and gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sulphate of Atropia to min. 10 of distilled water.

The subcutaneous injection of *Atropine* is sometimes useful in cases of intestinal obstruction, asthma, tetanus, neuralgia, chorea in the adult, &c. Great caution is necessary: not more than two minims of the official *Liquor Atropiæ* (= to gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ), or of the *Liquor Atropiæ Sulphatis*, should be employed at first. During a severe paroxysm of asthma, the use of two minims of the *Liquor Atropiæ* mixed with the same quantity of the morphia solution will often produce satisfactory results. The good effect is increased in some cases by having recourse to this injection while the patient is unconscious from the inhalation of a mixture of ether and chloroform.

*Chloroform* may be used in the same manner. The injection of ten or fifteen minims often effects a cure for the time in pleurodynia, neuralgia, sciatica, &c. It has the disadvantage of sometimes producing an irritable ulcer, which may be slow in healing.

A solution of *Aconitine* may be made thus: *Aconitiæ*, gr. 1; *Spiritus Rectificati*, min. 10; *Aquæ Destillatæ*, ad fl. drs. 2. *Mix.* For first injections not more than two minims should be employed: the dose may afterwards be safely increased to four minims (gr. 1—30). It is better, though not absolutely necessary, to make the injection at the seat of pain. The local tingling which follows is often severe; but this is of no consequence compared to the neuralgic pain for which it is used.

### 315. *Morphia Draughts, &c.*

*R.* *Liquoris Morphicæ Hydrochloratis*, min. 30 (= to gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the salt); *Syrupi Limonis*, fl. dr. 1; *Tincturæ Hyoscyami*, fl. dr. 1; *Aquam Camphoræ*, ad fl. oz. 1. *Mix.* To be taken at bedtime. *In insomnia with pain.*

*R.* *Liquoris Morphicæ Hydrochloratis*, min. 15—30; *Spiritus Chloroformii*, fl. dr. 1 (= to min. 3 of chloroform); *Spiritus Ætheris*, min. 30; *Tincturæ Belladonnæ*, min. 20; *Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ*, fl. dr. 1; *Aquam*, ad fl. oz. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ . *Mix.* To be taken every two hours (the patient being watched) until the pain ceases. *Useful in facilitating the passage of gallstones.*

*R.* *Liquoris Morphicæ Hydrochloratis*, min. 40; *Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti*, min. 20; *Syrupi Scillæ*, fl. drs. 6; *Tincturæ Benzoini Compositæ*, fl. oz. 1; *Mucilaginem Acaciæ*, ad fl. oz. 6. *Mix.* One tablespoonful every three or four hours. *In many irritable coughs.*

### 316. *Chloral Hydrate.*

*R.* *Chloral Hydratis*, gr. 20—30; *Syrupi Aurantii*, fl. drs. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; *Aquæ*, fl. oz. 1. *Mix.* A draught to be taken at bedtime.

**R.** Syrupi Chloral, fl. drs. 1—2; Aquæ Cinnamomi, fl. oz. 1. *Mix. A sleeping-draught.*

**R.** Chloral Hydratis, gr. 15—20; Liquoris Morphie Hydrochloratis, min. 15—20; Syrupi Limonis, fl. dr. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 1. *Mix. An anodyne hypnotic draught.*

**R.** Chloral Hydratis, dr. 1; Potassii Bromidi, dr. 1; Aquæ Camphoræ, fl. oz. 6. *Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every three or four hours. For a case of acute mania.*

**R.** Chloral Hydratis, dr. 1; Syrupi, fl. drs. 4; Aquæ Menthæ Piperitæ, fl. oz. 4. *Mix. A teaspoonful every three or every two hours for a case of whooping-cough in a child of two or three years old.*

*Chloral Hydrate is an excellent hypnotic, producing natural sleep, not followed by headache or nausea. For this purpose it is greatly superior to morphia, but it is a much less powerful anodyne. The two may often be combined with advantage. It must not be used for cases of heart-disease, as it is a decided cardiac depressant. Chloral Hydrate is invaluable in whooping-cough, and very useful in acute mania and in the gravest cases of Chorea.*

*Bromide of Potassium also is a very effective hypnotic in certain conditions of the nervous system. See F. 41.*

### 316a. Croton Chloral.

**R.** Croton Chloral, gr. 30; Aquæ Menthæ Piperitæ, fl. oz. 6. *Disolve. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken three times daily, or every three hours. Croton Chloral has a special anæsthetic influence on the 5th nerve. It is often of great service in cases of facial neuralgia.*

### 316b. Gelsemium.

*Gelsemium Sempervirens is an American drug which has proved very useful in the treatment of neuralgias, especially in neuralgia of the 5th nerve. It must be given with caution, as different persons are very differently affected by it. The dose usually ordered is 15 drops of the Tincture, every 3 hours until relief is obtained. The earliest toxic symptoms are frontal headache, ptosis, strabismus and double vision, with amblyopia. Large doses kill by asphyxia through paralysis of the respiratory centre.*

### 316c. Tonga.

*Tonga is a new drug, recently obtained from Fiji. A liquid extract is prepared by MESSRS. ALLEN AND HANBURY, of which the dose is one fluid drachm. It has been found to give prompt and permanent relief in many severe cases of neuralgia.*

### 317. Chloroform with Opium, or with Morphia and Indian Hemp.

**R.** Chloroformi, min. 6—10; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 15—30; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, min. 10—20; Syrupi Rhoeados, fl. dr. 1; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 1. *Mix, for a night draught. In severe colic, and other spasmodic disorders.*

**R.** Liquoris Morphie Hydrochloratis, min. 20; Tincturæ Chloroformi Compositæ, min. 30; Tincturæ Cannabis Indicæ, min. 20; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 30; Spiritus Ætheris, min. 40; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 4; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. dr. 1; Aquam,

ad fl. drs. 12. Mix, for a night draught. *In many chronic d attended with pain or restlessness.*

The medicine called CHLORODYNE probably consists essentially chloroform, Indian hemp, morphia, and hydrocyanic acid. In the *C Lancet* (15 October, 1864), DR. W. E. BOWMAN gives the following formula for its preparation:—Take of Chloroform, half a fluid ounce; Sulphuric Ether, ninety minims; Oil of Peppermint, eight drops; of Indian Hemp, six grains; Capsicum, two grains. Mix, shake occasionally, and allow it to stand for a few days. Take of Muriatic Acid, sixteen grains, dissolved by the aid of heat in two drachms of water; to which, when cold, add of Scheele's Hydrocyanic Acid, sixty-five minims; Perchloric Acid, one fluid drachm; Tr two fluid ounces. Add this gradually to the first mixture, and make the whole measure four fluid ounces by the addition of treacle water.—Each dose of thirty minims contains of chloroform, min. 4, min. 1½, extract of hemp, gr. 1-10th, hydrochlorate of morphia, and of Scheele's acid, min. 1.

MR. SQUIRE gives for Chlorodyne a formula which contains no Indian Hemp or Capsicum, and a smaller dose of Morphia. MR. ED. SQUIRE assigns to it the following composition:—

R. Chloroformi, fl. dr. 4; Morphiæ Mur., gr. 20; Æther. Rectif., dr. 2; Ol. Menthe Pip., min. 8; Acidi Hydrocyanici dil., fl. dr. 1; Tinct. Capsici, fl. dr. 6; Mist. Acaciæ, fl. oz. 1; Theriacæ, fl. oz. 1.

### 318. Brandy and Egg Mixture, with Opium.

R. Misturæ Spiritûs Vini Gallici (see F. 17) fl. oz. 1; Extracti Liquidi, min. 5—10; Spiritûs Chloroformi, min. 30. Mix. To be taken every four hours. *In exhaustion from pain.*

### 319. Tolu and Camphorated Opium.

R. Tincturæ Tolutanæ, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Tolutani, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Camphoræ Compositæ, fl. drs. 4 (=to gr. 1 of opium); Mucilaginem Tragacanthæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls three times a day. *For old people, where the mucous secretion from the bronchi is excessive.*

### 320. Cimicifuga Racemosa, or Black Snakeroot.

R. Tincturæ Actææ Racemosæ, min. 30—fl. drs. 2; Aquæ, ad fl. drs. 12. Mix, for a draught. To be administered every three or four hours until nausea ensues or the pulse becomes lowered. *This drug possesses narcotic and eliminative properties; and is useful in chronic rheumatism, lumbago, chorea, obscure nervous pains, and in back-ache from uterine disturbance.*

### 321. American Hellebore.

R. Tincturæ Veratri Viridis (a saturated solution) min. 5; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. This draught may be given every three hours, adding one drop of tincture to each dose, until the pulse becomes sufficiently lowered or nausea is produced. The latter is readily counteracted by small doses of morphia. *It is a valuable cardio-vascular sedative and is particularly used by American physicians in inflammations of the lungs, pleura, or peritoneum, and in acute rheumatism.*

322. *Lobelia and Ether.*

R. Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Tincturae Lobeliae Aetheræ, fl. drs. 3—6; Tincturae Aconiti, min. 30; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *As a sedative in some cases of asthma.*

323. *Stramonium and Henbane.*

R. Extracti Stramonii, gr. 3; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 20; Extracti Lupuli, gr. 40. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. One to be taken every four hours until relief is obtained. *In chronic disorders attended with suffering, in diseases of the nervous system accompanied with pain and restlessness, and in the dyspnoea of phthisis and emphysema.*

† R. Tincturae Stramonii, fl. drs. 1—2; Tincturae Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 3—6; Tincturae Cantharidis, fl. dr. 1; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some cases of asthma.*

324. *Opium and Ipecacuanha.*

R. Extracti Opii, Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, ʒʒ gr. 1; Potassæ Nitratis, gr. 8; Glycerini, sufficient to make a mass. Divide into two pills, and order them to be taken at bedtime. *A good narcotic and diaphoretic. It is preferable to the official COMPOUND POWDER OF IPECACUANHA, as the nitrate of potash acts better than the sulphate.*

R. Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2½; Extracti Opii Liquidi, min. 30; Syrupi Tolutani, fl. drs. 5; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. One teaspoonful every two or three hours. *In chronic cough.*

325. *Henbane, Camphor, and Hop.*

R. Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 40—60; Camphoræ, Lupulinæ, ʒʒ gr. 20. Mix, divide into eighteen pills, and order three to be taken every night at bedtime. *An excellent sedative for hysterical and hypochondriacal patients suffering from sleeplessness. Useful also in some forms of insanity.*

R. Spiritus Camphoræ, min. 30; Tincturae Hyoscyami, Tincturae Lupuli, ʒʒ fl. dr. 1; Mucilaginis Acaciæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix, for a draught to be taken at bedtime.

325a. *Bromide of Camphor.*

*Bromide of Camphor has been introduced by DR. CLIN, of Paris, as a nervine sedative of great value in severe chorea and hysteria. It has also been found of service in the convulsions of teething, and in chordee. The dose for an adult is five grains, best given in capsules (Clin's).*

325b. *Hydrobromic Acid.*

R. Acidi Tartarici, oz. 13, dr. 1, gr. 37; Potassii Bromidi, oz. 10, drs. 6, gr. 28; Aquæ, fl. oz. 80. Mix, and filter. The tartrate of potash falls as a white precipitate, and a clear solution of hydrobromic acid remains. Dose, half a fluid drachm to a fluid drachm. *Recommended by DR. FOTHERGILL to prevent the tinnitus and other cerebral symptoms caused by quinine. A fluid drachm of this solution is said to counteract the congestive tendency of two grains of quinine.*

326. *Belladonna. Atropia.*

℞. Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 5; Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 30; Ex Gentianæ, gr. 90. Make a mass, divide into twenty pills, and order to be taken three times a day. *In cases where a sedative and tonic is to be produced. Especially useful in some diseases attended with irritation of the urinary organs. Also in many spasmodic coughs. See F. 92.*

℞. Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Quassia, gr. 2. Mix in pill, to be taken night and morning. *In epilepsy. Requires to be for a long period.*

℞. Tincturæ Belladonnæ, min. 10—15; Spiritus Ammonia Aromatizati, min. 20; Aquæ, fl. oz. 1. Mix. To be taken three or four times a day. *In heart disease, with irritability and palpitation.*

℞. Camphoræ, gr. 5; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Cinnamon, gr. 4; Spiritus Rectificati, sufficient to make two pills. To be taken every night at bedtime. *In spermatorrhæa; convulsions; as well as in certain spasmodic affections of the air passages.*

℞. Liquoris Atropiæ, fl. drs. 2. One drop (= gr. 1—120) in a teaspoonful of brandy and water, night and morning. *In epilepsy. The dose to be increased by one drop every second or third week. A preparation of zinc may be given at the same time, if desired.*

326a. *Hyoscyamine.*

*Hyoscyamine is analogous to atropine in properties. It has given relief in various spasmodic conditions, as in gall-stone colic and in asthma. In cases of atropine, it has been of service in fecal obstruction. One grain of pure crystallized hyoscyamine may be dissolved in two fluid drachms of rectified spirit. The dose of this is, one drop (=  $\frac{1}{160}$  grain), given in dill water made into lozenges with sugar of milk.*

327. *Camphor, Opium, and Blue Pill.*

℞. Camphoræ, gr. 5; Extracti Opii, gr. 1; Pilulæ Hydrargyri, gr. 10. Mix, divide into two pills, and order them to be taken at bedtime. *Useful in restlessness with congestion of the liver and irritability of the sexual organs. Also in venereal sores with nocturnal emissions.*

328. *Codeia and Assafoetida.*

℞. Codeiæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Pilulæ Assafoetidæ Compositæ, gr. 5. Mix in pill, to be taken every night at bedtime. *Especially useful in attack of spasmodic cough, dyspnœa, &c. Codeia is also useful in diabetes.*

329. *Morphia and Assafoetida.*

℞. Morphiæ Hydrochloratis, gr. 2; Assafoetidæ, gr. 30; Camphoræ, gr. 20. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken at bedtime. *A good stimulant and antispasmodic.*

330. *Aconite with Guaiacum, Mercury, or Opium.*

℞. Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 20—40; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 10; Misturæ Guaiaci, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *As an anodyne, stimulant, and alterative in chronic rheumatism, neuralgia, &c.*



R. Extracti Aconiti, gr. 1—3; Pilulæ Hydrargyri Subchloridi Compositæ, gr. 3. Make into a pill, and order it to be taken every night at bedtime. *In sleeplessness from a syphilitic taint.*

R. Extracti Aconiti, Extracti Opii, ʒʒ gr. 8; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 16. Mix, and divide into eight pills. One to be taken every four, six, or eight hours. *In some acute inflammations,—as peritonitis, pleurisy, ovaritis, &c.*

### 331. *Opium and Sugar of Milk.*

R. Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, gr. 1; Sacchari Lactis, gr. 120. Mix, and divide into four powders. One to be taken every night, beaten up in a teaspoonful of cream. *A safe opiate for infants from two to six weeks old.*

R. Tincturæ Opii, min. 1; Sacchari Lactis, oz.  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, Aquæ Anethi, ʒʒ fl. drs. 4. Mix. One teaspoonful twice or thrice in the twenty-four hours. *To relieve the painful diseases of early life.*

### 332. *Tincture of Henbane.*

R. Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. oz. 1. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water every night at bedtime. The dose may be gradually increased until from one to three fluid ounces can be taken every night. *In some forms of epilepsy.*

### 333. *American Wild Cherry.*

R. Tincturæ Pruni Virginianæ, fl. drs. 3—6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-eighth part every four or six or eight hours. The dose of the Infusion is one ounce, at the same intervals. *As a sedative and tonic in cases of cardiac weakness with inefficient action; in valvular disease with dilatation; mitral regurgitation; chronic bronchitis with valvular disease or dilated ventricles; atonic dyspepsia; intestinal irritability, &c.* The action is less powerful than that of digitalis; but it is often better borne, and can be continued for a longer time. After a course of the American Wild Cherry, quinine and steel will often prove useful, though previously they may have been injurious.

### 334. *Preparations of Digitalis.*

R. Infusi Digitalis, fl. drs. 12; Aquam Anethi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every two, three, or four hours. *Recent experiments tend to prove that digitalis is a cardiac stimulant and tonic for a time. In feeble and irregular action of the heart this drug proves of great value; as it also does in dilatation and hypertrophy of the left side of the heart. Digitalis is very serviceable in cardiac dropsy, when there is a feeble and frequent and irregular pulse, with a scanty secretion of high-coloured urine; inasmuch as it gives increased force to the heart's contractions, while it has a diuretic action on the kidneys. Digitalis had better be avoided in examples of fatty degeneration of the heart. In some cases of delirium tremens large doses have a very good effect.*

R. Tincturæ Digitalis, fl. drs. 1—2; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 20; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some forms of cardiac disease with irritability of the stomach.*

R. Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Digitalis, fl. dm. 1; Extracti Opii Liquidi, min. 80; Infusi Chiratae, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

### 335. Hemlock and Henbane, &c.

R. Extracti Conii, Extracti Hyoscyami, Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, ʒʒ gr. 8. Mix, and divide into two pills. To be taken at bedtime. *To relieve sleeplessness with constipation. In some forms of asthma.*

R. Extracti Conii, Extracti Hyoscyami, Pilulæ Hydrargyri, ʒʒ gr. 3; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 1. Mix, and divide into two pills. To be taken at bedtime.

### 336. Hemlock and Dover's Powder.

R. Extracti Conii, gr. 36; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ Compositi, gr. 24. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. One to be taken every three or four hours. *To relieve the pain arising from malignant disease.*

### 337. Henbane and Indian Hemp, &c.

R. Extracti Cannabis Indicæ, gr. ¼—1; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. ¼; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 4. Make into a pill. To be taken every twelve or twenty-four hours. The efficacy of this pill can sometimes be increased by giving with it a draught containing some spirit of chloroform or spirit of ether.

### 337a. Caffein and Guarana.

R. Caffeinæ Citratis, gr. 2; Confectionis Rosæ, gr. 5. Make into a pill. *Sometimes very effective in nervous headache. It should be taken at the commencement of the paroxysm, and repeated once in forty minutes, if necessary. Guarana powder is also useful in the same condition, in doses of 20 grains. It owes its power to the caffein which it contains.*

### 338. Iodoform Pills and Suppositories.

R. Iodoformi, gr. 2—6; Extracti Conii, gr. 4. Mix. Divide into two pills, and order them to be taken at bedtime. *In painful diseases of the stomach. A full dose of iodoform will sometimes relieve a paroxysm of asthma.*

R. Iodoformi gr. 8—8; Olei Theobromæ, gr. 20. Mix, for a suppository. *As a local anæsthetic in cancerous and other painful diseases of the rectum. The anodyne action of Iodoform is uncertain.*

### 339. Narcotic Enemata.

R. Liquoris Morphis Acetatis, min. 20—60; Tincturæ Catechu, min. 40; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, min. 30; Mucilaginis Amyli, fl. oz. 2. Mix. The bowel should be washed out with warm water before the administration of this enema. *In diarrhæa, tenesmus, strangury, &c.*

R. Extracti Opii Liquidi, min. 20—fl. dm. 1; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, min. 15—30; Mucilaginis Amyli, fl. oz. 2. Mix. *In cancer of uterus, rectum, &c.*

340. *Opiate Suppositories.*

R. Pulveris Opii, gr. 1—2; Saponis Duri, gr. 10. Mix, for a suppository. *To allay pain or irritation about the pelvic viscera.*

R. Extracti Opii, gr. 1—3; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Olei Theobromæ, gr. 20. Mix into a suppository. *Especially useful in diseases of the bladder, uterus and rectum.*

341. *Lettuce Opium.*

R. Lactucarii, gr. 8—10. To be divided into two pills, to be taken at bedtime. *A doubtful narcotic. Has been chiefly used as an anodyne in phthisis, or where opium cannot be borne.*

342. *Indian Hemp, Aconite, and Ether.*

R. Tincturæ Cannabis Indicæ, min. 20; Spiritus Juniperi, min. 30; Spiritus Ætheris, min. 45; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 10; Mucilaginem Acaciæ, ad fl. drs. 12. Mix, for a draught. To be taken at bedtime. *In neuralgic dysmenorrhœa, &c.*

343. *Opium, or Morphia, and Henbane.*

R. Extracti Opii, gr. 1—4, *vel* Morphiæ Hydrochloratis, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ —1 Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 5. Make into two pills, to be taken at bedtime. *For the relief of severe pain, and to afford sleep in lingering diseases.*

344. *Opium and Belladonna.*

R. Extracti Opii, gr. 1; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Extracti Conii, gr. 3. Make into a pill, to be taken every three or four hours. *In intestinal obstruction. And in other cases where it is necessary to relieve severe pain without inducing constipation. The belladonna also increases the hypnotic action of the opium.*

345. *Opium and Capsicum.*

R. Extracti Opii, gr. 1—2; Capsici Fructus, gr. 2; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 4. Make into two pills, to be taken every night at bedtime. *In those diseases where opium is needed, but where it is not well borne, owing to its producing headache, sickness, &c. The stimulating effect of the capsicum will often ward off these unpleasant results.*

346. *Morphia and Squill Linctus.*

R. Syrupi Scillæ, Syrupi Rhoëados,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  fl. drs. 10; Aquæ Laurocerasi, min. 25; Tincturæ Benzoini Compositæ, fl. drs. 8; Liquoris Morphiæ Hydrochloratis, fl. dr. 1. Mix, and label,—“A small teaspoonful to be taken frequently if the cough is troublesome.”

347. *Compound Linctus.*

R. Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 3; Vini Ipecacuanhæ, fl. drs. 2; Liquoris Morphiæ Acetatis, fl. dr. 1; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 15; Tincturæ Conii, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Tolutani, fl. oz. 3. Mix, and label,—“One teaspoonful every two or three hours, until the cough is relieved.” See F. 246, 247.

## XV. REFRIGERANTS AND SALINES.

348. *Saline Draughts.*

R. Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 20; Aquæ Laurocerasi, min. 10; Syrupi Limonis, fl. dr. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 2. Mix. An effervescing draught is to be made by the addition of a tablespoonful of lemon juice, or of eighteen grains of citric acid. To be taken every four or six hours. *In fever with nausea.*

R. Spiritûs Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 4; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. drs. 12—18; Vini Colchici, fl. dr. 1; Aquam Camphorę, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls every four hours.

R. Potassę Nitratis, gr. 40 *vel* Potassę Citratis, grs. 100; Vini Antimonialis, fl. dr. 1; Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis, fl. drs. 14; Aquam Camphorę, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours.

349. *Saline with Excess of Ammonia.*

R. Liquoris Ammonię Acetatis fl. drs. 10; Spiritûs Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Limonis, fl. drs. 6; Tincturę Aconiti, min. 30; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours. *In the early stages of fever, tonsillitis, acute pneumonia, &c.*

350. *Dr. Stevens' Saline Mixture.*

R. Sodii Chloridi, gr. 20; Potassę Chloratis, gr. 7; Sodæ Carbonatis, grs. 30. Aquę, fl. drs. 12. Mix. To be taken every half hour. *In malignant cholera.*

351. *Colchicum and Magnesia, or Chlorate of Potash.*

R. Vini Colchici, fl. dr. 1½; Magnesię Carbonatis, gr. 120; Spiritûs Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Tincturę Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 4—6; Aquam Camphorę, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part night and morning. *In slight cases of gout, &c.*

R. Vini Colchici, fl. drs. 2; Potassę Chloratis, gr. 120; Liquoris Ammonię Citratis, fl. drs. 20; Aquam Camphorę, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In gout with heat and dryness of the skin.*

352. *Salicylic Acid, Salicylates and Salicine.*

R. Sodę Salicylatis, grs. 120; Spiritûs Ammonię Aromatici, fl. dr. 1; Aquę, fl. oz. 6. Mix. A sixth part to be taken every hour for six doses, this to be repeated on the second day of treatment. The same dose may afterwards be given three or four times a day. *In acute rheumatism without heart complications. Usually the pain and fever are at once subdued.* Salicylic acid or the salicylates may produce vomiting, or may give rise to noises in the ears, giddiness, or delirium. Impurities, such as carbolic acid, sometimes contained in salicylic acid may be dangerous.

R. Acidi Salicylici, gr. 120; Potassę Carbonatis, gr. 120; Ammonię Carbonitis, gr. 15; Tincturę Gentianę Compositi, fl. drs. 2; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls to be taken three or four times a day.

R. Salicini, gr. 15—20. Make a powder. To be administered in a wafer, or suspended in water in the same way as salicylic acid. *In acute rheumatism.* Said by DR. MACLAGAN to be better than the salicylates.

### 353. Borax and Nitrous Ether.

R. Boracis, gr. 80; Spiritus Ætheris Nitrosi, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Papaveris, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Lini, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours.

### 354. Ammonia, Chlorinated Soda, and Serpentry.

R. Ammoniae Carbonatis, gr. 30; Liquoris Sodae Chloratæ, fl. dr. 1; Infusi Serpenteriae, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *As a diaphoretic and stimulant in the low stage of continued fever.* See F. 368.

### 355. Bicarbonate of Potash Drink.

R. Potassæ Bicarbonatis, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ — $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Syrupi Limonis, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad O. 2. Mix, for the day's drink. *Very useful in the uric acid diathesis, in acute rheumatism, &c. A drink called "Constitution water" owes its efficacy to the bicarbonate of potash it contains.*

### 356. Cream of Tartar Drink.

R. Potassæ Tartratis Acidæ, oz. 1; Olei Limonis, min. 15; Sacchari Albi, oz. 2; Aquæ Bullientis, O. 2. Mix. To be used when cold, as a common drink. *In simple fever, with constipation and great thirst.*

### 357. Hydrochloric Acid Drinks.

R. Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 2—3; Mellis Depurati, oz. 1; Decocti Hordei, O. 2. Mix, for the daily drink. *In typhus, &c.*

R. Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 180; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. oz. 1; Decocti Hordei, O. 2. Mix. *A valuable drink in some cases of fever.*

### 358. Saline Lemonade.

R. Sodii Chloridi, gr. 200; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 240; Sodæ Tartaricæ, gr. 100; Sodæ Phosphatis, gr. 50; Succus Limonis Recentis, fl. oz. 6; Syrupi Limonis, fl. oz. 14; Aquæ, O. 7. Mix. *To be taken ad libitum, iced or not as is most agreeable, in cholera and choleraic diarrhoea.*

### 359. Phosphoric Acid Drink.

R. Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, fl. drs. 3; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Decocti Hordei, O. 2. Mix. *An efficacious drink for assuaging thirst in some diseases attended with nervous exhaustion. It was recommended by DR. PARIS and SIR THOMAS WATSON as useful in diabetes; but according to GRIESINGER it positively increases the quantity of sugar excreted.*

### 360. Chlorate of Potash Drinks.

R. Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 60; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ, O. 1. Mix. *In the eruptive fevers, some inflammations, &c.*

R. Potassæ Chloratis, oz. 1; Potassæ Bicarbonatis, oz. 2—4. Mix, and divide into eight powders. One to be dissolved in a pint of barley water for the day's drink. *In acute rheumatism.*

## XVI. STIMULANTS.

### 361. *Ammonia and Bitters.*

R. Ammoniæ Carbonatis, gr. 80; Spiritûs Myristicæ, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Chloroformi Compositæ, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Caryophylli, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four or six hours. *In debility with nausea and flatulence, Also in erysipelas, tonsillitis, scarlet fever, &c.*

R. Spiritûs Ammoniæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Lupuli, fl. drs. 6; Spiritûs Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Gentianæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Sennæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In phosphuria with constipation.*

R. Spiritûs Ammoniæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Aquæ Laurocerasi, fl. dr. 1; Sodæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 60; Tincturæ Calumbæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Anethi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part two or three times a day. *To relieve nausea, or vomiting, with heartburn.*

R. Tincturæ Valerianæ Ammoniata, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Rhei, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquæ Pimentæ, fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-sixth part when oppressed with languor or faintness. *In hypochondriasis and hysteria.*

### 362. *Ammonia in Effervescence.*

R. Ammoniæ Carbonatis, gr. 120; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 20; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part to be made into an effervescing draught with one tablespoonful of fresh lemon juice, or with eighteen grains of citric acid. To be taken twice or thrice daily. *In irritability of the stomach, with depression.*

R. Spiritûs Ammoniæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 4; Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 120; Spiritûs Chloroformi, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Hyoscyami, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Cascarillæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four hours, made into an effervescing draught with one tablespoonful of lemon juice. *In irritable stomach with undue acidity of the secretions.*

### 363. *Capsicum.*

R. Tincturæ Capsici, fl. dr. 1; Potassii Bromidi, dr. 1; Spiritûs Ammoniæ Aromatici, fl. drs. 6; Aquæ Menthæ Piperitæ, fl. oz. 6. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls three times daily.

R. Tincturæ Capsici, fl. dr. 1; Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 12; Tincturæ Nucis Vomice, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. Two tablespoonfuls three times daily. *For the cure of drink-craving.*

R. Pulveris Capsici, gr. 20; Mellis, gr. 20. Fiat bolus. *Useful in delirium tremens.*

364. *Phosphate of Ammonia and Ether.*

R. Ammoniæ Phosphatis, gr. 60—100; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Infusum Caryophylli, ad fl. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility with a tendency to gout or rheumatism. Also in hypochondriasis.*

365. *Hydrochloric Acid and Ether.*

R. Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. dr. 1; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In continued fever, and in cases where the expired air is ammoniacal.*

366. *Cajuput Oil and Cloves.*

R. Olei Cajuputi, min. 5; Pulveris Tragacanthæ Compositi, gr. 60; Aquæ Destillatæ, fl. drs. 2. Beat thoroughly together, and add—Infusi Caryophylli, fl. drs. 10. Mix. To be taken occasionally. *In hysteria, flatulent colic, and many spasmodic diseases.*

R. Olei Cajuputi, min. 4; Sacchari Lactis, gr. 120. Beat up thoroughly and add—Decocti Aloes Compositi, fl. oz. 1½. Mix. To be taken occasionally, early in the morning. *As a stimulant and laxative where there is a tendency to flatulence and a loaded rectum.*

367. *Ether and Brandy.*

R. Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 3; Spiritus Vini Gallici, fl. drs. 12; Infusum Cinchonæ Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every four or six hours. *At the commencement of convalescence from many acute diseases.*

R. Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 6; Misturæ Spiritus Vini Gallici (F. 17), fl. oz. 8. One-sixth part every six hours. *In the later stages of low fever with restlessness.*

368. *Solution of Chlorinated Soda.*

R. Liquoris Sodæ Chloratæ, fl. drs. 1—2; Syrupi Tolutani, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Serpentariæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In low fever this mixture will clean the tongue, promote the action of the skin and kidneys, correct the offensive state of the evacuations, and rouse the patient.* See F. 354.

R. Liquoris Sodæ Chloratæ, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Spiritus Vini Gallici, fl. drs. 12; Tincturæ Cantharidis, min. 40; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every three or four hours. *In low fever, with great prostration.*

369. *Sumbul, Quinine, Hop, &c.*

R. Tincturæ Sumbulis, fl. drs. 1—3; Infusi Lupuli, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some cases of hysteria, epilepsy, threatened delirium tremens, &c., where a stimulant and antispasmodic is needed.* See F. 95.

R. Tincturæ Quiniæ, Tincturæ Rhei, Tincturæ Lupuli, ææ fl. drs. 4. Mix. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water twice a day. *In dyspepsia from weakness of the digestive organs, and constipation.* See F. 385.

370. *Preparations of Oxygen.*

BARTH'S PATENT OXYGEN WATER is sold in bottles which contain nearly half an imperial pint of distilled water, with about 13·5 cubic inches, or 4·6 grains, of gaseous oxygen. The contents of two, three, or four bottles may be taken daily. *Said to promote digestion, to render the secretions and excretions healthy, to improve the condition of the blood, and possibly to control nervous force.*

PEROXIDE OF HYDROGEN may be regarded as water supersaturated with oxygen. A solution charged with ten volumes of oxygen is usually employed; the dose varying from fluid drachms 1—1, in two ounces of water, two or three times a day. *Said to be useful in diseases attended with dyspnœa,—as chronic bronchitis, pulmonary condensation, valvular cardiac disease with congestion of the lungs, some forms of asthma, laryngitis, whooping cough, &c. Also in dyspepsia, congestion of the liver, possibly in diphtheria and croup, as well as in strumous and other ulcerations. It appears likewise to favour the action of steel and cod liver oil; which remedies, however, should not be given at the same hour that the peroxide is administered.*

OXYGEN GAS can be best inhaled by using a large vulcanite bag filled with oxygen and air—1 to 4. This mixture is to be inhaled for half an hour once or twice a day; slowly inspiring it at short intervals, and filling the lungs as much as possible.

MESSRS. ROBBINS & Co. have prepared a powder which they call the "Patent Oxygenator." On placing a wineglassful of this material in the vase of DR. BEIGEL'S Universal Inhaler, and pouring over it half a pint of boiling water, pure oxygen will be evolved. Inhalation may be practised once or twice a day, for ten or fifteen minutes at a time.

## XVII. TONICS.

371. *Bark and Ammonia.*

R̄. Ammoniæ Carbonatis, gr. 30; Tincturæ Lavandulæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Cinchonæ Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours.

R̄. Ammoniæ Phosphatis, gr. 60; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 40; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

R̄. Ammoniæ Carbonatis, gr. 30; Extracti Opii Liquidum, min. 30; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. drs. 8; Decocti Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every three or four hours. *In cases where it is feared that a deposition of fibrin has taken place in the heart or one of the large vessels.*

R̄. Spiritus Ammoniæ Aromatici, Spiritus Chloroformi, ʒʒ fl. drs. 6; Liquoris Morphisæ Hydrochloratis, fl. drs. 2; Extracti Cinchonæ Flavæ Liquidum, fl. drs. 4; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. drs. 6. Mix. Direct. —"One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of Port wine three times a day."



*In certain cases of phthisis this mixture is very useful, especially in conjunction with cod liver oil and a liberal diet.*

### 372. *Ammonia, Bark, and Rhubarb.*

**R.** Spiritus Ammoniae Aromatici, fl. drs. 4; Extracti Cinchonae Flavæ Liquidum, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Rhei, fl. drs. 4; Infusum Rhei, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In nervous depression, &c., with constipation.*

### 373. *Bark and Liqueur Potassæ.*

**R.** Liqueur Potassæ, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Cinchonae Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Decoctum Cinchonae Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In debility attended with the lithic acid diathesis.*

### 374. *Bark and Serpentry.*

**R.** Tincturæ Cinchonae Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 80; Tincturæ Serpenteriae, *vel* Tincturæ Actææ Racemosæ, fl. drs. 3; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some cases of chronic rheumatism, lumbago and rheumatoid arthritis.*

### 375. *Bark and Hemlock.*

**R.** Tincturæ Cinchonae Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Succus Conii, fl. drs. 4; Aquam Pimentæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chronic diseases attended with debility and pain.*

### 376. *Acid Mixtures and Bark.*

**R.** Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 2; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Cinchonae Compositæ, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Cinchonae Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice or thrice daily, on an empty stomach. *Especially useful in depressing disorders accompanied with occasional attacks of hæmorrhage.*

**R.** Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Cinchonae Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility with nervous irritability.*

**R.** Acidi Nitrici Diluti, *vel* Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Nucis Vomice, fl. dr. 1; Extracti Cinchonae Flavæ Liquidum, fl. drs. 2; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day, two hours before each meal. *In general weakness, with nervous exhaustion.*

**R.** Acidi Acetici Glacialis min. 20—35; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, Extracti Cinchonae Flavæ Liquidum, aa drs. 4; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. oz. 2. Mix and label,—“One small teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water two or three times a day.” *After operations on cancerous growths, to prevent recurrence; effect doubtful.*

Use Ext. Sarsæ Liq. as vehicles for tonics when there is any fear of old syphilitic taint.

### 377. *Acid Mixtures with Calumba, &c.*

**R.** Tincturæ Calumbæ, fl. drs. 6; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs.

1½; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day, when the stomach is empty.

R. Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 20; Infusi Chiratæ, fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day, immediately before the meals. *As a stomachic, especially in the dyspepsia of gouty subjects.*

R. Succī Limonis Recentis, fl. drs. 12; Syrupi Limonis, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Chiratæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *Where there is debility with a threatening of rheumatic fever. In cancer of the stomach, &c.*

Glycerine mixed with tonics, especially preparations of steel, increases their efficacy and obviates their constipating effects.

### 378. Nitro-Hydrochloric Acid Mixtures.

R. Acidi Nitro-Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½—3; Tincturæ Chiratæ, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Aconiti, min. 30; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day, an hour before each meal. *In oxaluria, dyspepsia, rheumatoid arthritis, &c.*

R. Acidi Nitro-Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Acidi Hydrocyanici Diluti, min. 25; Succī Taraxaci, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Gentianæ Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Infusum Sennæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part twice or thrice daily. *In dyspepsia, with sluggish action of the liver.* The efficacy of this mixture may often be increased by giving with each dose a pill containing one or two grains of sulphate of zinc and four of extract of gentian.

R. Acidi Nitro-Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Liquoris Strychniæ min. 30—fl. dr. 1; Spiritūs Chloroformi, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Zingiberis, fl. drs. 3; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-eighth part, with a large tablespoonful of water, three times a day. *In any form of functional paralysis after all the appreciable causes are remedied. Also in obstinate debility, hypochondriasis, atonic dyspepsia, diabetes insipidus, alkaline urine, &c.*

R. Acidi Nitro-Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Belladonæ, fl. dr. 1; Extracti Pareiræ Liquidī, fl. dr. 1; Decocti Pareiræ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part every six hours:—

### 379. Quinine Mixtures and Pills.

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 12; Acidi Nitrici Diluti, *vel* Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, *vel* Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, *vel* Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Lupuli, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix.* One-sixth part three times a day. *Amongst other purposes, this mixture may be used to check the night sweats in phthisis.*

R. Tincturæ Quiniæ, fl. drs. 14; Tincturæ Zingiberis Fortioris, fl. drs. 2; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. *Mix.* One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day. *In neuralgia, nervous irritability, weakness, &c.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 18; Extracti Lupuli, gr. 40. *Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 4; Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, min. 20; Syrupi Aurantii, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 4. Mix. One small tablespoonful three times a day. *In strumous ophthalmia and other cases of debility to children.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis Neutralis, gr. 10; Aquæ, fl. drs. 2. Dissolve. For use as subcutaneous injection. *Efficacious in malignant, intermittent, and remittent fevers, and in threatened hyperpyrexia; 4 to 8 grains to be injected.*

### 380. Quinine and Steel.

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, Ferri Sulphatis, ʒʒ gr. 12; Liquoris Strychniæ, min. 30; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, fl. drs. 1½; Infusum Quassiæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *The black stools which are passed while any preparation of steel is being taken, are due to the combination of the metal with part of the sulphur of the food—forming sulphuret of iron.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 9; Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Arnicæ, min. 30—fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1½; Infusum Caryophylli, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In general debility, diphtheria, erysipelas, &c.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 12; Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 2; Tincturæ Nucis Vomiciæ, fl. dr. 1; Tincturæ Lupuli, fl. drs. 6; Magnesii Sulphatis, oz. 1; Infusum Lupuli, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part daily, three hours after breakfast. *In habitual constipation with debility.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, Ferri Sulphatis Exsiccata, ʒʒ gr. 20; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 30. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken twice a day. *In debility with irritability of the nervous system.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 12; Ferri Redacti, gr. 30; Extracti Aconiti, gr. 12; Glycerine, sufficient to form a mass. Divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken an hour after dinner and supper. *In neuralgia, rheumatoid arthritis, painful chronic affections with debility, &c.*

R. Ferri et Quiniæ Citratæ, gr. 30; Tincturæ Chirata, fl. drs. 1½; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *An excellent tonic where there is exhaustion, with a weak and irritable stomach. If the strong bitter is objectionable, Tincture of Lemon Peel may be substituted for the Chirata.*

### 381. Quinine, Steel, and Arsenic.

R. Tincturæ Quiniæ, fl. oz. 1; Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 18; Ferri et Ammonii Citratæ, gr. 30; Aquam Aurantii, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part two or three times a day, after meals. *In diseases of the skin, &c., with impoverished blood.*

R. Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 9; Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, ʒʒ fl. drs. 1½; Liquoris Arsenici Hydrochlorici, min. 15—40; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 6; Aquæ Cinnamomi, vel Infusi Quassiæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part directly after breakfast, dinner, and supper. *In many skin diseases, rheumatoid arthritis, carbuncular inflammation, &c. See F. 52, 899.*

382. *Quinine and Iodide of Iron.*

R. Tincturæ Quiniae, fl. oz. 1; Syrupi Ferri Iodidi, fl. drs. 3. Infusum Calumbæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility with a strumous taint, chronic rheumatism, tertiary syphilis, &c.*

383. *Quinine and Belladonna.*

R. Quiniae Sulphatis, gr. 24; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 4; Camphoræ, gr. 30; Confectionis Rosæ Gallicæ, sufficient to make a mass. Divide into twelve pills, silver them; and order one to be taken twice or thrice daily, in conjunction with one teaspoonful of good vinegar mixed with a wineglassful of sugared water. *In some painful diseases (neuralgia, cancer, dysmenorrhæa, &c.), where a sedative and tonic are needed.* F. 44.

384. *Quinine and Ipecacuanha.*

R. Quiniae Sulphatis, gr. 12; Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ, gr. 12; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 24. Mix. Divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken every day at dinner. *An excellent remedy in cases of indigestion.* See F. 44.

385. *Quinine and Rhubarb.*

R. Quiniae Sulphatis, gr. 24; Pulveris Rhei, gr. 36; Extracti Lujule, gr. 40. Mix. Divide into twenty-four pills, and order two to be taken at night and morning.

386. *Quinine and Ammonia.*

R. Tincturæ Quiniae, fl. oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. drs. 6; Spiritus Ammoniaci Aromatici, Spiritus Ætheris, aa fl. drs. 3; Extracti Opii Liquidi, gr. 80; Infusum Aurantii, *vel* Cinchonæ Flavæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part every six hours. *In great exhaustion, with low muttering delirium and restlessness.*

387. *Quinine and Nux Vomica.*

R. Quiniae Sulphatis, gr. 18; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 3; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 30. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. Order one to be taken night and morning. *In debility with constipation.* F. 175, 409.

388. *Substitutes for Quinine.*

R. Beberiae Sulphatis, gr. 30; Acidi Sulphurici Aromatici, min. Syrupi Aurantii, fl. oz. 1; Aquam Aurantii Floris, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In neuralgic affections assuming a paroxysmal character; as well as in intermittent and remittent fevers. Beberia does not produce cerebral disturbance and headache like quinine. The sulphate of this alkaloid is said to be an ingredient of WARBURG'S Fever Drops.*

R. Salicini, gr. 60; Extracti Sarsæ Liquidi, fl. drs. 6; Infusum Gentianæ Compositi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *During convalescence from acute disorders of the digestive organs. The antiperiodic properties of salicin render it useful in intermittents and other fevers.*

R. Salicini, gr. 120; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Tincturæ Aurantii, fl. oz. 3. Mix. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water night and morning. *Where the stomach is easily nauseated and cannot digest quinine, this formula will be useful.*

### 389. Cod Liver Oil.

The oil most commonly used is of a pale straw colour, the dose varying from a teaspoonful to a large tablespoonful twice or thrice daily. It should be taken immediately after meals; floating it on milk, coffee, beef tea, orange juice, orange wine, brandy and water, cherry brandy, &c. Chewing a piece of lemon peel or cinnamon, or a few cloves previously, will disguise the flavour. Sometimes it is preferred made into an emulsion; which may be done by beating it up with an equal proportion of lime water, or of milk, or with the yolk of an egg and some compound tincture of cardamoms. When the oil proves indigestible, giving rise to nausea or unpleasant eructations, the stomach can often be made to tolerate it by administering some preparation of pepsine (F. 420) with each dose, or by giving twenty or thirty drops of spirit of ether a quarter of an hour before the meal. DR. DE JONGH's oil is pure, and is prescribed by many practitioners.

Cod liver oil may be impregnated with various drugs,—such as any of the essential oils, morphia, arsenic, iodine, mercury, quinine, zinc, iron, &c. Too large a quantity of the solution must not be made at a time, as the oil soon becomes rancid. Combined with ozone [an allotropic modification of oxygen—*ἄλλος* = another + *τρόπος* = manner of existence], it has been found to lessen considerably the frequency of the pulse in phthisis. The dose of ozonized oil, according to Dr. E. SYMES THOMPSON, is from two to four drachms, two or three times a day. See F. 22, 32, 283, 390, and 418.

### 389a. Chaulmoogra Oil.

*An oil expressed from the seeds of the Indian plant Gynocardia Odorata. The oil (Oleum Gynocardie) has proved of service in leprosy; it is useful also in tertiary syphilis, in lupus, and in scrofula. The dose for an adult is from five to fifteen drops three times daily after food. It may be given in cod liver oil. It is semi-solid at the ordinary temperature, and is conveniently administered in capsules. An ointment made of twenty grains of the oil to an ounce of lard is recommended in skin diseases.*

### 390. Iodide of Iron and Cod Liver Oil.

R. Syrupi Ferri Iodidi, fl. drs. 4; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 1; Olei Morrhuæ, fl. oz. 4½. Mix. One tablespoonful twice or three daily. *In some forms of scrofula, phthisis, mild constitutional syphilis, &c.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 3—5; Glycerini, fl. drs. 2; Vini Ferri, fl. drs. 4; Olei Morrhuæ, fl. drs. 6. Mix, and make a draught to be taken twice a day. *In chronic rheumatism, tertiary syphilis, strumous skin diseases, &c.*

### 391. Steel and Cocoa-nut Oil.

R. Olei Cocos Nucis, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Ammonie Aromatici, min. 30; Ferri et Ammonie Citratis, gr. 5; Aquam Menthe Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 1. Mix, and make a draught to be taken twice or thrice daily. *Deserving of trial when cod liver oil causes nausea.*

392. *Steel and Glycerine.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ —2; Zinci Phosphatis, gr. 6; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 8; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One sixth part three times a day. *In some cases it is better to omit the glycerine from this mixture; administering cod liver oil instead, after one or two of the chief meals of the day.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 2—4; Glycerini, fl. drs. 4; Tincturæ Cardamomi Compositæ, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-eighth part every three or four hours. *In diphtheria, erysipelas with albuminuria, &c.*

R. Spiritus Ammoniaë Aromaticæ, fl. drs. 4; Ferri et Ammoniaë Citratis, gr. 40; Infusæ Quassiaë, fl. oz.  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1. Mix. One sixth part three times a day. *In general debility, with a torpid state of the colon.*

393. *Steel and Digitalis.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, min. 80; Infusi Digitalis, fl. oz. 2; Aquam Camphoræ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix and label,—“One-eighth part, with one tablespoonful of water, three times a day.” *In some forms of cardiac and renal dropsy, &c.*

394. *Steel and Pepsine.*

R. Ferri Redacti, gr. 12—60; Pepsinæ Porci, gr. 36; Zinci Phosphatis, gr. 18; Glycerini, sufficient to make a mass. Divide into twenty-four pills, silver them, and order two of them to be taken every day at dinner. *In anæmia, with weakness of the digestive organs.*

R. Ferri et Ammoniaë Citratis, gr. 20; Spiritus Vini Gallici, fl. oz. 1; Vini Pepsinæ, fl. drs. 4; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 6. Mix. One-half to be taken every day at dinner. See F. 420.

395. *Steel and Hemlock.*

R. Pilulæ Ferri Carbonatis, gr. 60; Extracti Conii, gr. 36—60. Mix, and divide into twenty-four pills. Two to be taken twice or thrice daily. *In incipient phthisis, and in many diseases attended with cough and debility.*

396. *Steel Electuaries.*

R. Ferri Peroxidi Hydrati, Mellis Depurati, ʒʒ oz. 2. Mix. One teaspoonful twice a day. *In chorea, &c.*

R. Ferri Carbonatis Saccharatæ, gr. 120—240; Mellis, fl. oz. 3. Mix. One teaspoonful twice or thrice daily after meals. Where there is no objection to pills it will be better to prescribe from 5—10 grs. of the official PILULA FERRI CARBONATIS twice a day.

397. *Steel and Hydrochloric Acid.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Acidi Hydrochlorici Diluti, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Chloroformi, fl. drs. 8; Infusum Quassiaë, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. See F. 101.

398. *Steel and Gentian.*

R. Ferri Sulphatis Granulatæ, Extracti Gentianæ, ʒā gr. 30. Mix. divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *In chlorosis, &c.*

399. *Steel and Arsenic.*

R. Vini Ferri, fl. oz. 4; Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 20; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. oz. 2. Mix. One-sixth part, with three tablespoonfuls of water, three times a day, immediately after meals. *For cases of purpura. In reduced doses as a tonic and alterative in some of the skin diseases of children.* See F. 52, 381, 402.

R. Syrupi Ferri Phosphatis, fl. oz. 2; Liquoris Sodæ Arseniatis, min. 30. Mix. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water directly after dinner and supper. *In some forms of spleen disease, &c.*

400. *Steel and Cantharides.*

R. Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. drs. 1½; Glycerini, fl. oz. 1; Misturam Ferri Compositæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility of the generative organs, some form of incontinence of urine, &c.*

R. Tincturæ Cantharidis, Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, ʒā fl. drms. 1; Tincturæ Capsici, fl. drs. 1½; Syrupi Hemidesmi, fl. oz. 1; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

401. *Steel and Ammonia.*

R. Ferri Tartarati, gr. 60; Spiritus Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 3; Infusi Quassię, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In chlorosis, leucorrhœa from relaxation of vaginal mucous membrane, &c.*

R. Ferri et Ammonię Citratis, gr. 40; Ammonię Carbonatis, gr. 30; Tincturæ Zingiberis, fl. drs. 3; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

402. *Steel and Chlorate of Potash.*

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1½; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 120; Liquoris Arsenicalis, min. 15; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three or four times a day, in a wineglassful of water. *In certain skin diseases, onychia, &c. Also in anæmia dependent on a syphilitic taint, in erysipelas about the fauces, and in tonsillitis, &c., omitting the solution of arsenic from the mixture.*

403. *Steel and Citrate of Potash.*

R. Ferri et Ammonię Citratis, gr. 60; Spiritus Ammonię Aromatici, fl. drs. 4; Potassæ Bicarbonatis, gr. 120; Infusi Calumbæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part to be taken twice a day with one tablespoonful of lemon juice. *As a tonic during convalescence from many acute diseases, especially where there is a tendency to nausea and dyspepsia.*

404. *Steel and Aloes.*

R. Ferri Carbonatis Saccharatæ, gr. 40; Infusi Anthemidis, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part twice a day. The following draught is also to be taken every other morning before breakfast:—R. Sodæ Phosphatis, gr.

120; Extracti Rhei, gr. 10; Decocti Aloes Compositæ, fl. drs. 4; Aquæ Carui, fl. oz. 1. *Mix. Useful for atonic gouty subjects.*

R. Ferri Redacti, gr. 30; Pilulæ Aloes et Myrrhæ, gr. 24—40; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 4. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *In anæmia with constipation.*

R. Misturæ Ferri Compositæ, Decocti Aloes Compositi, ʒʒ fl. oz. 4; Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 12. *Mix. One-sixth part twice a day. In anæmia, hypochondriasis, general debility with constipation, &c.*

#### 405. Phosphate of Iron.

R. Ferri Phosphatis, gr. 40; Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Syrupi Aurantii Floris, fl. oz. 1; Mucilaginem Tragacanthæ, ad fl. oz. 8. *Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. In scrofula, cancer, low nervous vigour, &c.*

R. Ferri Phosphatis, gr. 20; Pulveris Myrrhæ, gr. 15; Sacchari Albi, gr. 30. *Mix, and divide into six powders. One to be taken night and morning. In rickets, and in all the strumous diseases of children.*

A syrup of the Phosphates of Iron, Lime, Soda, and Potassa has been prepared by Mr. FARRISH, of Philadelphia. It may be obtained from most London chemists; being known as "Chemical Food." The dose for a child ten years of age is one teaspoonful in water after the two principal meals of the day. This measure contains one grain of phosphate of iron; two and a-half grains of phosphate of lime; and smaller portions of the alkaline phosphates. *Chemical Food is a preparation of great value in all forms of strumous disease, and general debility.*

#### 406. Steel and Manganese.

R. Ferri Phosphatis, gr. 120; Manganisii Phosphatis, gr. 90; Tincturæ Calumbæ, fl. oz. 1; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. oz. 2. *Mix. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day. In chlorosis, scrofula, &c.*

#### 407. Dialysed Iron.

*Dialysed iron is a soluble ferric hydrate, prepared by dialysis. It is neutral in reaction, and can often be tolerated when no other preparation of iron can be borne. It does not cause constipation, and does not damage the teeth. It may be given in 15—20 drop doses in distilled water or on sugar immediately before meals.*

#### 408. Strychnia and Steel.

R. Ferri et Ammonia Citratis, gr. 40; Liquoris Strychniæ, min. 30 (—to gr. ½); Infusi Quassia, fl. oz. 8. *Mix. One-eighth part twice a day. In chronic nervous affections with debility.*

R. Ferri Redacti, gr. 40; Zinci Valerianatis, gr. 20; Strychniæ, gr. 1; Glycerine, sufficient to make a mass. Divide very carefully into twenty pills, silver them, and direct one to be taken three times a day, after food. *In hypochondriasis, great nervous depression, &c.*



409. *Zinc and Nux Vomica.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 24; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 6; Extracti Rhei, gr. 30. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken twice a day. *In weakness of the muscular system, atony of intestinal walls, &c.* See F. 177, 387.

410. *Valerianate of Zinc.*

R. Zinci Valerianatis, gr. 12—24; Extracti Belladonnae, gr. 3—6; Extracti Gentianae, gr. 24. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and silver them. One to be taken three times a day. *In some nervous disorders, in cases of habitual constipation, and in spasmodic contraction of the sphincter ani.*

R. Zinci Valerianatis, Zinci Phosphatis, ʒ gr. 10; Extracti Rhei, gr. 24. Make a mass, divide into 12 pills, and silver them. Order one to be taken three times a day. *For epilepsy, neuralgia, hysteria, &c. The valerianate of quinine, of soda, of ammonia, and of steel, may be employed in the same manner. In some cases of neuralgia as many as twelve or twenty grains of valerianate of ammonia in infusion of calumba have been given every four hours.*

411. *Valerianate of Zinc and Quinine.*

R. Zinci Valerianatis, gr. 12; Quiniæ Sulphatis, gr. 6; Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ, Extracti Anthemidis, ʒ gr. 20. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and silver them. One to be taken three times a day. *In hysteria, neuralgia, &c.*

412. *Valerianate of Steel and Savin.*

R. Ferri Valerianatis, gr. 24; Olei Sabinæ, min. 24; Pilulæ Assafoetidæ Compositæ, gr. 30. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and silver them. One to be taken three times a day. *In anæmia, hysteria, and neuralgia, with amenorrhœa.*

413. *Sulphate of Zinc.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 24; Extracti Aconiti, gr. 6; Extracti Quassia, gr. 24. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *In epilepsy with neuralgic pains, lumbago, pleurodynia, &c. Its efficacy is much increased by giving cod liver oil at the same time.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 12—24; Extracti Conii, gr. 36. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken three times a day. *In the chronic bronchitis of old people as a tonic and sedative, &c.*

414. *Phosphate of Zinc.*

R. Zinci Phosphatis, gr. 20—40; Acidi Phosphorici Diluti, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. drs. 6, *rel* Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1½; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In some affections of the nervous system with debility.*

R. Zinci Phosphatis, gr. 20; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 5; Extracti Gentianæ, gr. 20. Mix. Divide into twenty pills, silver them, and order one to be taken twice a day.

414a. *Phosphide of Zinc.*

R. Zinci Phosphidi, grs. 3; Confectionis Rosæ Caninæ, dr. 1. and divide into thirty pills. One to be taken three times a day. *Strongly recommended by DR. HAMMOND, of New York, as a nervine tonic. A grain of the phosphate of zinc is equivalent to about one-seventh of a grain of phosphorus.*

415. *Oxide of Zinc.*

R. Zinci Oxidi, gr. 24—40; Extracti Anthemidis, gr. 30. Mass, divide into twelve pills, and order one to be taken twice a day. *In chronic alcoholism (?), chorea, hysteria, &c. DR. GOLDING LENTENTAINED an opinion that zinc has a specific influence on the nervous system, just as iron has on the blood. The dose may be gradually increased until twenty or even thirty grains of the zinc are taken in the day. It sometimes be advantageously combined with opium.*

416. *Zinc, Bark, and Glycerine.*

R. Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 12—20; Tincturæ Cinchonæ Composita, oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. drs. 12; Aquam Menthæ Piperitæ, ad fl. oz. 8. One-sixth part three times a day. *During convalescence from acute disease, especially where there is emaciation, with great nervousness and excitation.*

417. *Phosphorus Pills and Capsules.*

R. Micæ Panis, gr. 60; Aquæ Destillatæ, sufficient to make a pill. Then add—Phosphori, gr. 1; mix thoroughly, divide into twenty pills, and order one to be taken thrice daily after food.

Phosphorus pills and phosphorus capsules, in which the phosphorus is defended from the rapid oxidation to which it is liable, are prepared by several houses, and may be obtained through most chemists. These the capsules or pearls, which contain  $\frac{1}{16}$  or  $\frac{1}{32}$  of a grain of phosphorus dissolved in oil, are by far the best. One may be taken twice or three times a day after food. *In extreme debility and in depression. In neuralgia and angina pectoris. After cholera, diphtheria.*

418. *Phosphorus with Oil; Tincture of Phosphorus.*

R. Phosphori, gr. 1; Olei Morrhuæ, fl. oz. 6. Mix. One or two teaspoonfuls three times a day, immediately after food. *In tubercular rickets, scrofula, &c.*

R. Phosphori, gr. 1; Olei Amygdalæ, fl. oz. 3. One teaspoonful or a wineglassful of barley water three times a day.

R. Phosphori, gr. 1; Alcohol, fl. drs. 5; Glycerini, fl. oz.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Spiritus Vini Rectificati, fl. drs. 2; Spiritus Menthæ Piperitis, fl. dr.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Dissolve the Phosphorus in the alcohol by the aid of heat; warm together the Glycerine and Spirit of Wine. Mix while hot, and add Spirit of Peppermint on cooling; fl. dr. 1 contains gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of phosphorus.

419. *Hypophosphite of Soda.*

R. Sodæ Hypophosphitis, vel Calcis Hypophosphitis, gr. 30—90; fusi Chirætæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

*phthisis.* In *progressive locomotor ataxy*, this mixture may be tried, together with a pill containing Nitrate of Silver (F. 59) with each dose.

R. Sodæ Hypophosphitis, gr. 80—240 ; Spiritus Ætheris, fl. oz. 1 ; Tincturæ Sumbulæ, *vel* Tincturæ Cinchonæ Flavæ, fl. oz. 2 ; Aquæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One dessertspoonful in a large wineglassful of water three times a day. In *epilepsy*, *hysteria*, *neuralgia*, some forms of *hypochondriasis*, &c., this mode of administering phosphorus may be useful. The dose at first should be moderate and then gradually increased. In very obstinate or severe cases of *neuralgia*, a cure may perhaps be effected by the hypophosphite of soda in forty or even sixty grain doses, repeated thrice daily, when the ordinary quantities have no effect. When no appreciable benefit ensues in five or six days, the remedy will probably prove useless however long it may be continued.

#### 420. Preparations of Pepsine and Pancreatine.

The physician is sometimes hindered in the administration of tonics and cod liver oil and animal food by the inability of the stomach to digest them. And this frequently happens when these restoratives are most needed,—in cases of degeneration of tissue, in lingering illness, and during convalescence from acute disease.

The food is subjected in the stomach to the action of the gastric juice ; a secretion consisting of water, probably of lactic and hydrochloric acids, and of an azotized substance having the nature of a ferment—pepsine. When from any cause the secretion of the gastric glands is deficient or arrested, recourse may be had to the use of artificial pepsine with great advantage. This substance is usually prepared from several rennet bags (the fourth stomach of the ruminants) by washing them, and scraping off the mucous membrane. The latter is then reduced to a pulp, macerated in distilled water for twelve or twenty-four hours, and filtered. A sufficiency of acetate of lead is added to the liquor, the precipitate is collected, and a current of sulphuretted hydrogen passed through it. Then it is again filtered, evaporated at a low temperature, and the dry residue (pepsine) powdered.—The chief symptoms which call for the use of this agent, are—imperfect or slow digestion, with flatulence, acid eructations, nausea, low spirits, and lassitude ; diarrhoea, with portions of undigested food in the evacuations ; phthisis, cancer and other diseases attended with great debility ; and affections of the stomach itself,—as gastric ulcer, malignant disease of the pylorus, &c. It is also beneficial in anæmia and chlorosis, in habitual constipation, want of appetite, offensive breath, dilated stomach, morbidly fetid stools, and sometimes in the sickness of pregnancy.

Pepsine should be given alone, or it may be mixed with certain medicines without its properties becoming deteriorated. Thus, when severe pain follows the ingestion of food the sixth of a grain of morphia can be added to each dose ; when there is pyrosis, fifteen grains of the white bismuth ; when the peristaltic movements are sluggish, the twentieth or twenty-fifth part of a grain of strychnia ; and when there is anæmia, some preparation of steel—particularly the reduced iron, or the citrate of iron and quinia. It is a common occurrence for patients to be enabled to assimilate feruginous tonics and cod liver oil by the aid of pepsine, who cannot do so without.

There are several preparations of this agent which may be used. In BOUDAULT'S *Poudre Nutrimentive*, as purchased from MR. SQUIRE, the pepsine is mixed with starch in such proportions, that one part of the

powder so formed will have the power of digesting four parts of fibrin at a temperature of 90° Fahr.—Thus, fifteen grains of the powder will probably cause the meat of a mutton chop to be digested in the stomach. This, then, is the ordinary dose; and it should be taken at the commencement of the meal, either between two pieces of bread, or in a tablespoonful of lukewarm soup.

MORSON'S *Pepsine Wine* is obtained from the gastric juice of the calf's stomach. It is an agreeable, slightly acidulous wine; the dose being one teaspoonful in water. The *Pepsine Lozenges* prepared by the same chemist are convenient and agreeable.

BULLOCK and REYNOLDS' *Pepsina Porci* is procured, as its name implies, from the stomach of the pig. In a short series of experiments its action was found by the Author superior to that of most other kinds. The dose is from two to five grains, made into a pill with glycerine.

And lastly, there is the *Rennet or Pepsine Wine* of DR. ELLIS, of Dublin, the preparation of which may be thus described. Take the stomach of a calf as fresh as it can be obtained from the butcher; cut off about three or four inches of the upper or cardiac extremity, which, containing few glandular follicles, may be thrown away. Slit up the organ longitudinally; and wipe it gently with a dry napkin, taking care to remove as little of the clean mucus as possible. Then cut it into small pieces (the smaller the better), and put all into a common wine bottle. Fill up the bottle with good sound sherry, and let it remain corked for a fortnight; at the end of this time it is fit for use. The dose is a teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water immediately after meals. Dr. Ellis also suggests this test for pepsine:—Put a small cup containing milk in a vessel of hot water until the milk becomes blood-warm. Then add a teaspoonful of rennet wine; if it be genuine, the milk in two or three minutes will become as solid as blancmange. See F. 389, 394.

The pancreatic juice has for its chief purpose the emulsification of the fatty constituents of food, and when there is difficulty in the digestion of fats, or when from disease of the pancreas or obstruction of its duct, the pancreatic juice does not reach the duodenum, so that unchanged fat appears in the stools, pancreatine has been given, or fatty matters already subjected to the action of this substance. The following emulsion of cod liver oil and pancreatine is recommended by DR. RICHD. MATHIESON:—

Pancreatini Saccharati, oz. 1; Aquæ, oz. 4; Sacchari Albi, oz. 7; Ol. Morrhuæ, Ojss; Ol. Gaultheriæ, min. 20; Ol. Amygd. Amar. min. 5.

The pancreatine is rubbed with the sugar and water; the syrup then mixed with the oils. A little lime water may be substituted for part of the water.

A pancreatic emulsion of solid fats is prepared by MESSRS. SAVORY AND MOORE.

DR. W. ROBERTS, F.R.S., of Manchester, highly recommends the *Liquor Pepticus* (Benger) and the *Liquor Pancreaticus* (Benger), prepared by MOTTERSHEAD & Co., of Manchester, as being highly efficient agents for promoting digestion. The former should be given in a dose of one or two teaspoonfuls in half a wineglass of water immediately after a meal; the latter in the same quantity with a pinch of Bicarbonate of Soda in a wineglass of water about two or three hours after a meal. See also F. 4a.

Ingluvin, lactopeptine, and various preparations of malt are also useful in assisting digestion.

## XVIII. UTERINE THERAPEUTICS.

421. *Ferruginous Emmenagogues.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 18—30; Ferri et Ammoniae Citratis, gr. 40; Tincturæ Nucis Vomicae, fl. dr. 1; Infusi Quassiae, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In amenorrhœa with a torpid circulation.*

R. Syrupi Ferri Iodidi, Glycerini, aa fl. oz. 1; Olei Limonis, min. 10. Mix. One teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day. See F. 32.

R. Pilulæ Ferri Carbonatis, gr. 30; Pilulæ Cambogiæ Compositæ, gr. 15; Olei Sabinæ, min. 12. Make a mass, divide into twelve pills, and order two to be taken twice a day. *In amenorrhœa with anæmia and habitual constipation.*

R. Ferri Valerianatis, gr. 18; Olei Sabinæ, min. 24; Extracti Aloes Barbadensis, gr. 6; Pilulæ Assafoetidæ Compositæ, gr. 36. Mix thoroughly, and divide into twelve pills. One to be taken three times a day. *In amenorrhœa with hysteria.* See F. 412.

R. Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1½; Potassæ Chloratis, gr. 60. Tincturæ Actææ Racemosæ, fl. drs. 4; Infusum Serpentariæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In debility, with imperfect menstruation, pains in the back, and an irritable condition of the buccal or gastric mucous membrane.* See F. 320.

422. *Stimulant Emmenagogues.*

R. Extracti Ergotæ Liquidii, fl. drs. 3; Tincturæ Serpentariæ, fl. drs. 6; Tincturæ Nucis Vomicae, fl. dr. 1; Decoctum Aloes Compositi, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part early every morning. *In amenorrhœa dependent on simple atony of the uterine organs.*

R. Potassii Bromidi, gr. 60; Tincturæ Cantharidis, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Cinnamomi, fl. drs. 6; Aquam, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day. *In amenorrhœa with epileptoid seizures.*

R. Olei Rutæ, min. 15; Extracti Ergotæ Liquidii, fl. drs. 2; Mucilaginis Tragacanthæ, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

R. Boracis, gr. 60; Tincturæ Ergotæ, fl. drs. 4; Aquæ Cinnamomi, fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

R. Tincturæ Hellebori (Phar. Lond. 1851), fl. drs. 3; Syrupi Zingiberis, fl. drs. 5; Infusum Sennæ, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part once or twice a day. *In amenorrhœa with torpid action of the bowels.*

R. Liquoris Strychnia, min. 30; Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi, fl. drs. 1½; Tincturæ Actææ Racemosæ, fl. drs. 4; Infusum Quassiae, ad fl. oz. 8. Mix. One-sixth part three times a day.

R. Podophylli Resinæ, gr. 6; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 24; Extracti Nucis Vomicae, gr. 4; Pilulæ Aloes et Myrrhæ, gr. 30. Mix, and divide into twelve pills. One to be taken at bedtime for three or four nights in succession. *Where the menstrual flow is scanty, and the liver sluggish.*

423. *Medicated Vaginal Pessaries.*

R. Plumbi Iodidi, gr. 80; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 24—40; Extracti Conii, gr. 100; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1—1½; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix; melt into a mass with gentle heat; and pour it into a tube or roll of paper, about eight inches long and of the circumference of the little finger. Divide into eight pessaries, and order one to be introduced into the vagina every night or every other night. *In chronic inflammation and induration of the labia uteri, in ovaritis, in pelvic cellulitis, and chronic cystitis.* For an account of the advantages of cacao butter (oil of theobroma) over other materials in making these pessaries the reader is referred to a paper by the Author in the *Obstetrical Transactions*, vol. iv. p. 205, London, 1863.

R. Coniæ, gr. 8; Gelatini, gr. 160; Glycerini, fl. drs. 2. Mix, divide into eight pessaries. One to be introduced into the vagina every night. *Useful in dysmenorrhœa and ovarian irritation with reflex disturbance.*

R. Unguenti Hydrargyri, gr. 80—150; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1—1½; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries. Where there is tenderness of the cervix uteri, or of the ovaries, thirty grains of Extract of Belladonna or one hundred grains of Extract of Conium should be added to the mass.

R. Iodoformi, gr. 80; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries. *As a local anæsthetic in cancerous and other painful uterine diseases.* The smell of iodoform renders these pessaries very unpleasant to many patients.

R. Extracti Aloes Socotrinæ, gr. 60; Olei Sabinæ, fl. drms. 1; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries and order one to be introduced into the vagina every night. *As an emmenagogue and purgative.*

R. Plumbi Acetatis, gr. 20; Extracti Opii, gr. 24; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1; Glycerini, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, and order one to be used every night. *In chronic leucorrhœa, acute and follicular vaginitis, &c.*

R. Zinci Oxidi, *vel* Bismuthi Carbonatis, gr. 80; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 40; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries. *In the same cases as the preceding. Also in cancer of the cervix uteri, and in severe irritability of the bladder.*

R. Potassæ Permanganatis, gr. 24; Extracti Aconiti, gr. 6; Extracti Opii, gr. 16; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1—1½. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, and order one to be used every night. *In uterine diseases attended with pain and offensive discharges. In cancer advanced to the stage of ulceration the quantity of the permanganate should be reduced about one-third.*

R. Potassii Iodidi, gr. 40; Extracti Conii, gr. 120; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 1; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 2. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries. One to be used every night. *In induration of the labia uteri in strumous subjects.*

R. Acidi Tannici, gr. 120; Pulveris Catechu, gr. 60; Olei Theobromæ, oz. 2; Glycerini Acidi Carbolic, fl. drs. 8. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, and order one to be used twice a week. *In prolapsus*

*uteri with relaxation of the vaginal tissues, as well as in uterine hæmorrhage, in chronic metritis, and in menorrhagia.*

#### 424. *Medicated Uterine Pessaries.*

*R.* Acidi Tannici, Olei Theobromæ,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, each having the diameter of an ordinary stick of nitrate of silver. *In uterine hæmorrhage, with a patulous condition of the os uteri, one of these pessaries may be introduced up the canal of the uterus and left there. It soon dissolves and coats the lining membrane with the tannin.*

*R.* Aluminis, gr. 80; Zinci Sulphatis, gr. 40; Olei Theobromæ, oz.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, as in the preceding formula.

*R.* Unguenti Hydrargyri, Olei Theobromæ,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  gr. 200; Extracti Belladonnæ, gr. 20. Mix, and divide into eight pessaries as in the first of these formulæ.

*R.* Extracti Aconiti, gr. 12; Extracti Opii, gr. 16; Extracti Hyoscyami, gr. 100; Olei Theobromæ, oz.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Olei Olivæ, fl. drs. 3. Mix. Divide into eight pessaries, and order one to be used every night.

#### 425. *Vaginal Injections.*

*R.* Extracti Hæmatoxyli, oz. 1; Aluminis, gr. 120; Aquæ, fl. oz. 2. Mix, and label,—“To be added to one pint of cold water to form an injection.” Like other vaginal injections, this one is to be used with a vulcanized india-rubber syphon syringe, a pint or more of plain water being first thrown up. *In diseases attended with an offensive discharge. The patient should be cautioned that the fluid will dye linen, &c., soiled with it.*

*R.* Zinci Sulphatis, Aluminis Exsiccata,  $\bar{a}\bar{a}$  oz. 1; Acidi Tannici, oz. 2. Mix. Label,—“One teaspoonful to be mixed with a pint of tepid or cold water to form an Injection.” *In leucorrhæa, gonorrhæa, &c.*

*R.* Zinci Chloridi, gr. 160; Aquæ, fl. oz. 3. Mix. Label,—“One teaspoonful to be mixed with a pint of cold water to form an Injection. To be used night and morning.” *In gonorrhæa.*

*R.* Liquoris Plumbi Subacetatis, fl. oz. 6; Extracti Papaveris, oz. 2. Mix, and label,—“One large tablespoonful to be mixed with a pint of warm or tepid water to form an Injection.” *In cases of leucorrhæa, with an irritable condition of the os uteri or vagina; as well as in rodent ulcer of the uterus.*

*R.* Zinci Sulpho-carbolatis, dr. 1; to be dissolved in a pint of water. *In leucorrhæa, when the discharge is excessive.*

*R.* Extracti Papaveris, oz.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Tincturæ Belladonnæ, fl. drs. 4. Mix, and label,—“Two teaspoonfuls to be added to one pint of linseed tea, to form an Injection.” *As a soothing remedy in cancer of the cervix uteri, when there is but little tendency to hæmorrhage. It may be employed twice or thrice in the twenty-four hours.*

#### 426. *Sponge Tents, &c.*

For the purpose of dilating the mouth and cavity of the uterus, the female urethra, a strictured rectum, or a contracted orifice of the male prepuce, nothing can be better than the sponge tents introduced into

obstetric practice by SIR JAMES SIMPSON. These instruments are of a narrow conical form, and of various sizes. They are made by dipping a piece of sponge into water, and then compressing it around a central wire with whipcord. After drying, the cord is removed; the surface of the tent being then coated with a mixture of lard and wax, while three or four inches of tape are fastened to its base. The tents which the Author has generally used have been made by DUNCAN AND FLOCKHART of Edinburgh, and they are perfect. A metallic director, somewhat resembling the uterine sound, with a sharp point, is needed for their introduction up the uterine canal; while their removal is accomplished by pulling the tape. A fresh tent must be introduced every twenty-four or forty-eight hours, until the tissues are sufficiently dilated to allow the finger to explore the cavity of the uterus.

DR. SLOAN of Ayr has suggested the use of the dried stem of the sea-tangle (*Laminaria digitata*) as a substitute for sponge. The stem of this common marine plant is cylindrical, soft, flexible, firm, and capable of being greatly reduced in size by drying. On subsequently being supplied with sufficient moisture it dilates to at least three or four times its size. The tangle tents produce equable dilatations, are in all respects very efficient, are cleanly, and ought to be cheap. They are more easily introduced into the uterus than the sponge tents, but they are also more liable to slip out again when the pressure of the finger is removed. In employing these tents it seems best to dip them in hot water just prior to introducing them; avoiding the use of oil, as it interferes with their absorbing power.

Tents may also be made of gentian and of elm bark; but the Author has had no experience with these kinds, having been perfectly satisfied with the sponge and sea-tangle.

#### 427. *Galactophora and Galactophyga.*

a. GALACTOPHORA [ $\Gamma\acute{\alpha}\lambda\alpha$ =milk+ $\phi\acute{\epsilon}\rho\omega$ =to bear], or GALACTAGOGUES [ $\Gamma\alpha\lambda\alpha$ + $\acute{\alpha}\gamma$ =to drive out], are remedies which increase the secretion of milk. Defective lactation is not common amongst healthy mothers, but with the weak and delicate it is very frequent. When it arises amongst the first class it is generally due to overfeeding; when amongst the second, anæmia is its cause. In either class, a torpid condition of the mammary gland may be its source.

*Defective lactation from plethora* will be best treated by purgatives, the most efficient being castor oil. All kinds of beer, wine, and spirits are to be prohibited. Animal food is to be allowed; with vegetables, bread, tea, &c. A mixture of milk and soda water, in equal parts, forms an excellent drink in these cases. The patient is not to be weakened; but she should be cautioned against the vulgar error, that a large quantity of food is necessary, simply because she is nursing.

*Defective lactation from anæmia* is not uncommon. When the weakness is not such as to forbid suckling, the health ought to be improved by animal food; by a fair allowance of ale or porter or wine; and by taking milk, or cocoa made with milk, instead of tea and coffee. A raw egg beaten up in a tumblerful of milk, once or twice a day, will do good. Then ammonia and bark (F. 371) may be given, or some non-astringent ferruginous tonic (F. 403, 405); or cod liver oil.

*Defective lactation from torpor of the mamma* is the most frequent variety. In these cases benefit will be derived from irritating the gland and nipple



—as by the careful use of the breast pump; by drawing out the nipple several times with the fingers, before the infant is applied; by passing an electric current through the gland, for fifteen or twenty minutes daily, for several days in succession; or by the application of a hot carrot poultice, during some hours daily. The breasts are to be kept warm. Moderate sexual intercourse is also useful.—Beef and mutton, game and poultry, white fish, oysters, stewed eels, potatoes, parsnips, lettuce, carrots, turnips &c. will increase the secretion. There is no objection to stout, or to any other kind of malt liquor, provided the stomach can digest it; while from one to two pints of cow's milk should be allowed daily.—With regard to drugs perhaps the most efficacious is a decoction of the leaves and stalks of the *Ricinus communis*, or *Castor-oil plant*. DR. ROUTH recommends the administration of a strong decoction of this plant or of an extract; the dose of the former being from one to two drachms daily in water, or of the latter five grains. The castor-oil leaves may also be applied over the breasts, or an infusion of them may be used with lint and oiled silk. Amongst other remedies reputed to possess galactagogue properties may be mentioned,—*Aqua Anethi* or *Dill water*, and *Oleum Anethi*; *Aqua Anisi* or *Aniseed water*, and *Oleum Anisi*; and particularly *Aqua Feniculi* or *Fennel water*, and *Oleum Feniculi*. The dose of either of these waters is from two to four ounces, and of the oils about five minims on a lump of sugar, twice or thrice daily.—The value of such agents as the *Malva Sylvestris* or *Marsh mallow*, of the *Saponaria vaccaria* or *cow basil*, of the juice or decoction of *Broom-tops*, and of the infusion of *Althæa root*, is very doubtful.

*Sore nipples* may indirectly be the cause of defective lactation. Slight excoriations, as well as chaps and fissures, can generally be healed by the use of the dilute solution of subacetate of lead, or by the liniment of lime, or by an ointment of balsam of Peru, or by a lotion containing borax and glycerine. Frequently drying the nipple with a soft rag, and then dusting it with spermaceti which has been finely powdered by the aid of a few drops of proof spirit, will be found exceedingly efficacious. Where the fissures are deep, light cauterization with nitrate of silver often answers well; or the painful spots may be painted with collodium, leaving the summit of the nipple free for the escape of the milk. A well-made shield, provided with an artificial nipple, will often enable a woman to suckle who would otherwise be unable to do so. The child's mouth must be looked to, so that if there are aphthæ they may be cured.

β. GALACTOPHYGA [ $\Gamma\acute{\alpha}\lambda\alpha$ =milk +  $\phi\epsilon\upsilon\gamma\omega$ =to shun] are the remedies employed to arrest the secretion of milk.

*Extract of Belladonna*, is, I believe, the most certain agent of this kind. Reduced to the consistence of treacle, by the addition of a little glycerine or water, it should be freely painted over each breast, night and morning, the parts being also covered with wet lint and oiled silk, or with a cold bread and water poultice. At the same time one quarter or one third of a grain of the extract, may be administered, twice or thrice daily, if a speedy effect be desirable. Sometimes it is advantageously given with quinine and camphor (F. 383).

*Iodide of Potassium* often succeeds, and is particularly useful if there be any painful engorgement of the glands. Six or nine grains daily, in divided doses, should be administered. Occasionally it may be better to give about ten minims of the tincture of belladonna with each dose; or the iodide can be combined with an active purgative salt, as the sulphate of magnesia (F. 31).

*Colchicum* has not succeeded well in the Author's hands when given

alone. But combined with the sulphate of magnesia, in the proportion of twenty minims to sixty grains, administered two or three times a day, it has appeared serviceable.

*Camphor* has been recommended. Three or four grains, with the same quantity of henbane, may be given in a couple of pills at bedtime; while frictions with the camphor liniment, or the compound camphor liniment had better be employed twice or thrice daily.

*Tobacco* acts in a similar manner to belladonna. An ointment, made by boiling half an ounce of fresh tobacco in eight ounces of lard, is to be kept continually applied. Or this remedy may be employed in the form of a fomentation.

*Sage tea* is a popular remedy, which can certainly do no harm.

#### 428. *Aphrodisiacs and Anaphrodisiacs.*

a. **APHRODISIACS** [*Ἀφροδίσια*=venery] are medicines which excite or increase the sexual powers.

Many remedies have been supposed to act as sexual stimulants, but the majority of those which have been recommended merely have the property of exciting the imagination. This is especially the case with *Musk*, *Castoreum*, *Ambergris*; extravagant substances which ladies may use as perfumes if they please, but which should be abolished from the *Materia Medica*. The volatile sulphurated or allyle oils, obtained from alliaceous and cruciferous plants (*Allium sativum*, *Allium ceva*, *Sinapis nigra*, *Cochlearia Armoracia*, &c.), have had some slight repute. *Indian hemp* and *Opium* have been used; but the latter, at least, generally exercises a contrary effect to that desired. *Turpentine* and *Borax* probably possess no aphrodisiac powers, though popularly thought to do so. The only remedies which may truly be supposed to act as sexual stimulants are the various preparations of *Iron*, *Strychnia* and *Nux Vomica*, *Quinine*, *Cantharides*, *Arsenic*, and *Phosphorus*.

β. **ANAPHRODISIACS** (*Ἀ, priv.*, + *ἀφροδίσια*, venery) are generally believed to have the power of repressing the sexual feelings.

Nauseants (*Tartarated Antimony* and *Ipecacuanha*), drastic purgatives (*Elaterium*, *Jalap*, *Calomel*, &c.), *Camphor* in large doses, *Carbonate of Soda*, *Hemlock*, *Tobacco*, and *Alcoholic drinks* probably possess anaphrodisiac properties.

### XIX. ELECTRO THERAPEUTICS.

Three forms of Electricity are used in medicine—

1. That of *quantity*: produced by chemical action and obtained directly from a battery, regulated by the number and size of the cells, and called the Continuous, Voltaic, or Galvanic current—often erroneously termed the constant current.

2. That of *intensity*: produced by induction either from a magnet or a galvanic current, by long coils of insulated wire, and called the Induced, Faradic, or Interrupted current, or Magneto-electricity.

3. That of *highest intensity*: produced by the frictional machine, and called Static, Franklinic, or Frictional electricity.

Galvanism, or the continuous current, is rarely applied without inter-

mission, which is usually obtained by the rhythmical removal of one of the conductors from the skin, or by means of a commutator. The intensity of a single cell of any form or chemical arrangement is quite insufficient to overcome the bad conducting power of the human body; therefore, when employing currents direct from the battery, many cells must be used, and as many as 50 or 60 should be contained in an apparatus intended for a variety of diseases.

The usual methods of applying electricity are *direct and indirect localized* electrization. In the former the rheophores, or current-bearers, are placed directly upon the organ, a muscle usually, to be Faradized or Galvanized. (If the latter, one of the rheophores must be removed and replaced on the skin at regular intervals.) And it is well to moisten the sponges of the moist rheophores with salt and water; this solution, being a better conductor than water alone, facilitates in a great degree the passage of the current to the deeper parts.

In *indirect electrization*, two points in the course of a nerve are selected for the rheophores, and the current is thus made to affect the part supplied by the nerve.

A form of treatment called *General Electrization*, has been introduced by Drs. BEARD and ROCKWELL (New York, 1871), on the principle that "Electrization, besides being a local stimulant, exercises an influence over general and local nutrition entitling it to the highest rank among constitutional tonics." The American practitioners generally appear to combine much rubbing and shampooing with their Faradism and Voltaism. The method under consideration consists in placing the patient with his feet naked upon a sheet of copper connected with one pole, while the other pole is connected by a moistened sponge with the left hand of the operator, who passes his disengaged hand over the muscles of the patient, and sometimes over the whole body.

Great caution is necessary, more especially with the continuous current, in applying electricity to the spinal cord or brain; and before electricizing any part of the body, it is well to place the electrodes on some analogous part of the operator's surface. Nevertheless, the effect of a current differs greatly, as there is idiosyncrasy with respect to this as to other remedial measures.

DUCHENNE and others lay great stress upon Faradizing every bit of a muscle, either with a rheophore of large surface, or by carrying the sponge over its whole extent. The olivary conductors are useful for small muscles, as the interossei and facial muscles.

The *differences* in action of the *continuous* and *induced* currents are due to—

(1.) The higher tension of the induced current, which enables it to overcome great resistances, and reach deep muscles and nerves.

(2.) The greater quantity of the continuous current gives it more chemical power; the Faradic current, as well as the continuous, decidedly affects nutrition by its action on the smaller arteries, and by inducing movements which produce tissue changes. (DUCHENNE.)

(3.) The direction of the continuous current is uniform, the induced current changes constantly, and

(4.) The continuous current flows in a regular stream as long as contact is maintained, the induced current lasts for a small fraction of a second. Partly due to this, probably, is the fact pointed out by M. CYON, and more recently by DR. POORE, that a continuous current pass-

ing through a group of healthy muscles enables them to make unusually strong and protracted action. (*Practitioner*, Jan. 1873.)

*Electricity in Diagnosis.*—The main point on which the value of electricity in determining the locality and nature of disease depends, is the behaviour of muscles with the Faradic and Voltaic currents.

The apparatus of each kind should be reliable in operation, and capable of having its strength easily controlled. Begin by placing the conductors of a moderately strong Faradic current on a muscle of the sound side, and decrease the strength until the point is reached at which contraction can only just be excited. The next step is to examine in the same manner the contractility of the diseased side. Next compare the results of Faradizing the healthy and diseased sides by passing the current through the nerve trunk supplying the muscle before examined. When the galvanic or continuous current is used in this way, care must be taken in every trial to place the positive conductor nearest the centres and to make the interruptions at the same rate in each case.

In *hemiplegia*, early in the disease, the Voltaic and the Faradic contractility will be found to be normal—if increased, there is central disease progressing, as in inflammatory softening, and electric treatment is contra-indicated. As time goes on, the paralysed muscles usually lose their contractility by degrees.

In *paraplegia*, due to disease of a segment of the cord only, which cuts off the part of the cord below the damaged point from the brain, but leaves the paralysed muscles in relation with healthy cord, the condition of the paralysed muscles will be similar to that found in hemiplegia; Voltaic and Faradic contractility will be normal till impaired by long disuse, but there will in addition be excessive reflex action.

If the *paraplegia* is due to disease of the entire portion of the cord corresponding to the paralysed parts, we have the conditions sometimes called *Spinal Paralysis*, in which there is lessened contractility, Voltaic and Faradic. This condition is also present in muscles supplied by the nerves which arise from a diseased segment of the cord.

In *peripheral paralysis*, due to disease in the course of a nerve, cutting off the muscles from the nerve cells of the spinal cord, or to an affection of the peripheric extremities of the nerves, the muscles contract more readily than usual with the Voltaic, but not so well, or not at all, with the Faradic current. This is called the *reaction of degeneration*. The explanation of it is, that the Faradic current excites the muscles indirectly through the peripheral extremities of the nerves which are here affected, and therefore incapable of communicating the impulse to the muscle; while the Voltaic current acts directly on the muscular fibres.

In *lead paralysis*, the reaction of degeneration just mentioned is met with; the response to Faradism fails before the will has lost its control, but the Voltaic current acts with increased strength at this period, and the contractility remains after the voluntary power of moving the muscle is gone, and when atrophy has commenced.

In *infantile paralysis*, attributed to inflammation of the anterior grey cornua of the spinal cord (*poliomyelitis anterior*), but not improbably due to an affection of the periphery of the nerves, the loss of Faradic contractility is very sudden, and is usually complete in about four days (Barwell). A Voltaic current produces a marked reaction at first, but even when of great strength, will fail, after the disease has lasted some time, to produce any effect; it should be applied to the part affected

perseveringly as long as the slightest contraction is produced, and it may even restore contractility when it has been lost.

In *rheumatic* and in *hysterical paralysis* contractility is usually normal, but in the latter the muscular sensation is nearly lost.

In *progressive muscular atrophy*, any muscular fibres which remain retain their electrical susceptibility; diminished electrical reaction follows, and denotes the gradual destruction of the muscles.

In the recognition of *feigned disease*, much assistance may be obtained from a powerful induction apparatus.

### DISEASES IN WHICH ELECTRICITY IS OF VALUE.

In *cerebral disease* Faradism is never to be used to the head. The Voltaic current from 5—18 cells may be applied axially by placing one electrode on the lower part of the spine, and the other at the back of the head; or transversely, by placing one conductor on each temple, or one on the forehead and the other on the occiput: and slow intermissions are to be made.

*Melancholia*, with stupor and refusal of food, in two cases under the care of DR. WILLIAMS, of Hayward's Heath Asylum, yielded at once to the use of a 40-celled Stöhrer's battery, and after a few daily applications both patients recovered. The number of cells here employed must be considered as exceptional. (*Lancet*, Jan. 25, 1873.)

In *softening*, *nervous exhaustion*, and *epilepsy* the continuous current has been of use. In the latter disease the negative conductor may be placed on the seat of the "aura," and the positive on the mastoid process.

In *hemiplegia* and *paralysis of cerebral origin* generally, no good can be done by muscular electrization soon after the attack, as a certain degree of irritability remains; and violent muscular tremors, to say the least, may result from Faradization.

When the proper time for treatment of the paralysed muscles has arrived, Faradize the whole of the surface of the organs affected, passing one of the conductors over every part of the muscles: the application should last from 5—15 minutes, and be repeated daily or every other day.

The end to be obtained by Faradization in hemiplegia, or other forms of cerebral paralysis, is to maintain or restore the conductivity of the nerves and the contractility of the muscles of the paralysed regions which are liable to be impaired by prolonged disuse, so that as the nerve-centre recovers its function a path may be open for the first feeble impulses it is capable of issuing. When, therefore, after a proper interval, the reaction of the muscles to electrical stimulation, direct and indirect, is normal, and the paralysis still persists, further electrical treatment will be useless, as the cause is to be found in the character of the lesion of the nervous centre.

The nutrition of paralysed parts may be improved, as well as contractility restored, through the action of the current on the muscular walls of the bloodvessels.

*Diseases of the Spinal Cord.*—Tumours, severe injuries, sclerosis or softening of the cord, are not likely to be benefited by electrical treatment; but paralysis resulting from slight meningitis, or myelitis, anæmia, or exhaustion, will probably derive benefit from a Voltaic (15—30 cells) current applied by electrodes placed over the nucha and

lower part of the back. Begin with few cells and increase the number as may be indicated. The results of syphilitic disease are amenable to electricity when the morbid process has been arrested, and the exudate removed by iodide of potassium. Electrical attention is to be directed to the peripheral expressions of disease.

*Galvanization of the cervical sympathetic*, of which so much has been said, is an extremely uncertain operation, it is recommended by MEYER in irregularities of temperature, heat in the skin of the head or face, coldness of extremities, &c., and in primary arterial spasm, apoplexy, paralysis, progressive muscular atrophy, and neuralgias and spasms of the cerebro-spinal nerves. BENEDIKT also advocates this mode of treatment for intra-cranial diseases. From ten to twenty cells are to be used. The electrodes are small sponges, the positive pressed deep into the fossa under the ear, while the negative is placed either on the sixth cervical spine, or over the sternal origin of the sterno-mastoid muscle. The application must at once be stopped if giddiness or sickness appears.

In *hysterical paralysis*, galvanize the spine, and Faradize the part affected with a wire brush; a sponge electrode being placed over the spinal origin of their nervous supply.

*Lead paralysis* is treated by directly Faradizing the affected muscles if they respond; but if not, a strong Voltaic current should be used, say 40—60 cells—attacking every part of the muscles, and using short intermissions. When the Faradic contractility returns—as is usually the case after a few applications of the battery current—Faradism and Voltaism are to be employed alternately. Medical treatment must be continued at the same time.

*Peripheral paralysis*, dependent on a wound of a nerve, will not be remedied until the nerve wound is healed. The treatment should begin with Galvanism and be continued by Faradism when the muscles respond to this. In paralysis dependent on rheumatism, cold, pressure, the induced current must be employed.

The treatment of *facial palsy* should begin early if it is of local origin or from cold, and usually the continuous current will be needed to produce muscular action. To produce an equable result, the treatment should be directed to each muscle affected, especially when using Faradism. When the affection arises from locomotor ataxy, or cranial disease, Voltaism only should be employed.

*Paralysis of the Ophthalmic Muscles*.—Put one conductor under the eye or let the patient hold it in his hand, and let a small electrode or the finger of the operator who holds the other conductor in his hand, rest as near the muscle as possible, beginning with a weak Faradic current.

*Paralysis of the Laryngeal Muscles*.—Three methods of electrical treatment are applicable to these affections:—1. A gum elastic, metal-tipped conductor is to be passed down the pharynx, touching the base of the larynx, the second electrode being a wire brush applied to the front of the neck over the cricoid cartilage. Faradism is to be employed. Or 2. A proper laryngeal rheophore is passed with the aid of a mirror into the larynx itself; the second electrode being a sponge applied to the front of the neck or elsewhere. 3. Electrization by sparks from a frictional machine has been of great use in emotional aphonia.

*Labio-glosso-laryngeal Paralysis*.—The Faradic current should be applied by means of one pole placed on the nape of the neck; and the other to the inside of the lips, the tongue, and front of the neck.

*Paralysis of the bladder* requires Faradism by means of a peculiar electrode, consisting of a catheter, with a metal tip, the halves of which can be made to diverge after it is placed in the bladder; otherwise an electrode, shaped like a catheter, with a metal point, must be used, the second being the rectal rheophore in the rectum. The bladder should be empty.

*Constipation*, when dependent on muscular inertia, or disease of the spinal cord, may be relieved by a Faradic current, employed by means of a special conductor for the rectum, and a sponge applied to the abdomen or over the sacrum.

*Impotency* may arise from want of erectile power in the penis, in which case apply the Faradic current to the organ with a wire brush or sponge electrode. When the condition is due to deficiency of semen, apply Faradism by moist conductors to each side of each of the testes. Seminal emissions are in some cases restrained, or even checked, by applying the current from 10—15 cells to the veru montanum by one electrode, the second being placed on the perinæum, three times a week.

*Priapism* has sometimes been corrected by Faradization of the perinæum.

*Progressive muscular atrophy* has been successfully treated in many cases by MEYER and DUCHENNE, by Faradizing the sets of muscles as they are attacked, and galvanizing the nerve trunks of the parts affected.

In *locomotor ataxy*, Faradization is employed for the diplopia, and applied to the skin relieves the muscular pains. BENEDIKT and ONIMUS have galvanized the spine with benefit to some cases.

*Chorea* is best treated electrically by the continuous current: the positive conductor is placed over the muscles affected, the negative to the nerve supplying them; or the current may be passed from the affected parts to the upper part of the cord, the negative conductor being placed on the back of the neck.

*Writer's Cramp*.—In this disease, galvanization has appeared to be of service, or as in *torticollis* and *contraction of the splenius*, it may be advisable to Faradize muscles antagonistic to the affected ones. If there is tremor, "the positive charge" should be applied.

*Shaking Palsy*, in recent cases, is to be subjected to the positive charge. Sometimes a powerful galvanic current is very useful.

*Tetanus*.—A current from 8—10 DANIELLS has been applied, the negative pole being placed on the spine, the positive on the tetanic muscles. The effect is very doubtful.

**DISEASES OF WOMEN.**—*Amenorrhœa* is often successfully treated by Faradizing, or still better, galvanizing, the uterus; one electrode being placed on the abdomen, and the other, either a sponge holder on the lumbar spines, or a rectal rheophore passed up to the cervix uteri. The former is preferable, and probably just as useful.

*Menorrhagia* is relieved by Faradization applied in the same mode, or passed from hip to hip, and from sacrum to pubis.

*Uterine inertia*.—The Faradic current may, in some cases, take the place of, or assist, ergot of rye. A proper uterine rheophore is passed up to the cervix uteri, and a moist sponge is placed on the abdomen. A rheophore shaped like a long spoon, the bowl filled with soft sponge, and the handle made of insulating material, is very con-

venient for applying currents to the abdomen. Moisten the sponge with hot water.

In case of accidental hæmorrhage in a flabby multipara, the Faradic current has produced immediate expulsion of the child and placenta shortly followed by a very large clot.

Faradism of the *breasts* will often increase or restore the secretion.

**RELIEF OF PAIN.**—*Neuralgia* often yields at once, sometimes permanently, to the Faradic current. MEYER applies it curatively as the "Electric Moxa," or a wire-brush electrode held in one spot, and a very strong current. Voltaism is most successful in this disease, however, and is applied with the negative pole, a moist sponge on the point of origin of the nerve affected, and another sponge electrode for the positive, placed on the painful spot, the time being determined by the amount of action on the skin, as it is undesirable to cause any soreness. Five to ten cells of a battery in good order will usually be enough for the face; ten to thirty, or a larger number, if necessary, for other parts of the body. A little moral influence may be useful in the treatment as neuralgic patients are given to variety, and often abandon a remedial measure if not at once successful, before it has had a fair trial.

*Sciatica* requires the application of a Voltaic current from 10—50 cells; the negative on the lower dorsal spinous processes; the positive on the lower part of the thigh or leg.

*Sick headache.*—A continuous current, beginning with 5 cells, is used, the electrodes being placed on the mastoid processes.

*Rheumatic pains* in the muscles are relieved by Faradizing the deep skin with a brush or dry plate.

**HYSTERICAL ANÆSTHESIA.**—The best application is daily Faradization of the affected parts with a wire-brush, the strength of the current to be increased to the utmost bearable limit. And while increasing the power of a Faradic apparatus, it is well to keep the electrodes applied always supposing that the operator is acquainted with the energies of his instrument.

**DEAFNESS.**—Electricity, in the form of a slowly interrupted Faradic current, has done much good to old cases of nervous deafness. The meatus is filled with water, an electrode, insulated except at the tip, is passed in, and the other electrode is placed on the neck. The current must be weakened or discontinued if it cause giddiness.

*Tinnitus Aurium.*—This distressing affection has frequently been cured by both Voltaic and Faradic currents which should not be strong, one electrode being placed in contact with the membrana tympani.

**ASPHYXIA.**—Use electrodes with button-like metal tips, covered with wash-leather or sponge, and a Faradic current sufficient to cause contraction of the muscles of the ball of the thumb. Place one conductor on the side of the neck, outside the sterno-mastoid in its lower half, as in this place it will affect the phrenic nerve, the sterno-mastoid and the scaleni muscles, the other on the epigastrium; let the pressure last the length of an inspiration, then assist expiration by pressure on the abdomen. The strength of the current at first failing to excite contraction, increase it to the full power of the apparatus, and *that failing* use Voltaism in the same manner. A double electrode would be advantageous, conveying the current to the two sides of the neck from



one pole of the instrument, while the other pole is applied to the epigastrium or seventh intercostal space.

**AORTIC ANEURISMS** have in some cases been successfully treated by a current from a few cells of medium size. Various methods have been recommended. Needles insulated to within a short distance of the point are passed into the sac; according to some experimenters they should be connected with both poles of the battery, according to others with the negative pole only, the positive rheophore being a wet sponge placed on the skin near the aneurism; according to others again, the needle should be in relation with the positive pole. The object sought is the obliteration of the aneurism by the coagulation of the blood which takes place round the needle when the current is passing; the coagulum round the negative pole is large and loose, that round the positive small but more firm; it is not yet definitely known which best answers the purpose required. The current must be passed for some hours. Great pain is often excited.

**VASCULAR NÆVI** are treated with remarkable success by inserting needles into the tumour, which are connected with the negative pole of the battery, the positive being formed by a wet sponge. By some operators needles connected with both poles are inserted.

**HYDATIDS OF THE LIVER.**—The current from ten cells was employed at Guy's Hospital, in some cases of hydatid cyst, and in eight instances proved very successful. Two needles from the negative pole were introduced into the tumour, and a moist conductor from the positive was applied to the skin of the abdomen. (*Med. Chir. Trans.* London, 1871.)

It is not impossible that the good effects were due to displacement of the hydatid fluid by the gases disengaged.

## XX. CLIMATES FOR INVALIDS.

### 429. *General Observations.*

Notwithstanding the excellent writings of SIR JAMES CLARK, EDWIN LEE, GRANVILLE, BURGESS, ALEXANDER TAYLOR, D. J. T. FRANCIS, SCORESHY-JACKSON, and others, many invalids migrate every autumn to the South of France, Italy, Spain, &c., merely to find a grave. This happens partly because cases of far-advanced disease are still sent abroad, when they ought to be kept at home; partly, because a situation unfavourable to the particular malady is selected, the laws of climate being ill-understood; and, in some measure, because it is difficult to persuade the sick that simple change to another country is only one of the means by which they are to regain health. For although there can be no doubt that in change of air physicians have an efficient remedial agent, yet it is certain that this remedy, like all others, is not of indiscriminate application, but must be prescribed with judgment and discretion.

The diseases most likely to be cured or alleviated by the benign influence of change of climate are the following:—Pulmonary consump-

tion; chronic laryngeal and bronchial affections; asthma; disorders of the digestive organs, with the various forms of dyspepsia; chronic gonorrhea and rheumatism; functional derangements of the sexual organs; affections of the kidneys; obstinate neuralgia; and hypochondriasis. change is beneficial to strumous delicate children; is invaluable as restorative during convalescence from acute or prolonged disease; and especially is it one of the chief resources of "preventive medicine. In incurable disease a visit to another part of the sufferer's country, or to some foreign station, will now and then serve to ward off complications, to give mental exhilaration, to promote appetite and digestion and to be the source of tranquil nights.

There is no model climate: no country can boast of being perfect. Doubtless in some of the new towns about California remarkable climates are found. The luxuries on the Pacific side of North America are unknown to Europeans. Speaking of small towns near Placerville, St. WENTWORTH DILKE says ("Greater Britain," 156), that except in the interior or on the hills, "one even spring reigns unchangeably; ever fruit and vegetable of the world is perpetually in season." All that the physician's knowledge and tact will enable him to do is to select that situation which possesses the greatest advantages and the fewest drawbacks for the particular case he has in hand. Phthisis, for example, is prevalent and fatal in all countries, though more so in some than others. Moreover, it must be remembered, that through the peculiar nature of zymotic diseases, towns usually healthy are apt to be periodically visited by epidemics; and such places can only be avoided by consulting recent returns, or by instituting inquiries on the spot. In considering the sanative influence of any climate, our chief object must be to learn on how many days during the winter and spring months it may be expected that the invalid will be confined to the house by bad weather. If the number be at all large, he can just as well remain at home. To decide the point, the nature of the sick man's disease, and constitutional strength must first be determined. Then as regards any given locality attention must be paid to its aspect, its drainage, and its elevation above the sea level; to the temperature and its equability; to the dryness or moisture of the soil and atmosphere, a degree of heat being often well borne when the air is dry, which is quite unbearable when it is moist; and to the nature of the prevalent winds. The amount of rain which descends in a season is not of such moment as the way in which it usually falls; a region liable to sharp heavy showers being much more favourable for the invalid, than one where it drizzles—like a Scotch mist—for days together. Luxuriant vegetation, though agreeable to the senses, may merely mean high temperature combined with moisture; conditions not favourable for the phthisical. So also the districts where marshy lands abound, or where occasional inundations occur, are notoriously unhealthy; for the evaporation of the water lowers the temperature, while the decaying vegetable matter becomes the source of malaria.

The beneficial effects of sea-air are due to its purity, to the equability of its temperature, to the iodine it contains, and to the constant presence of ozone. The latter—the most powerful oxidising agent known—is a stimulant to all the vital functions; but if in excess, it causes great irritation, particularly of the organs of respiration. Ozone, found also in the air of mountainous and rural districts, has the property of decomposing iodide of potassium, uniting with the potassium and liberating the iodine, which latter body may be detected by starch. Hence, test-

papers saturated with a solution of iodide of potassium and starch are employed; the iodine, when freed by the ozone, uniting with the starch and forming blue iodide of starch. While sea-air by its invigorating and other properties has a certain amount of influence in preventing tuberculosis, it is by itself insufficient to cure this disorder. Mountain-air is also pure, has an average low temperature, and contains a large proportion of ozone. There is a diminution of atmospheric pressure, but more wind and moisture at high elevations. Speaking generally, mountain air is tonic and bracing: it improves the appetite, lessens anæmia, and especially promotes a healthy action of the abdominal viscera.

Although a classification of climates can only be artificial, and merely useful as affording a rough view of their nature, yet those countries mostly resorted to by invalids may be arranged in four divisions—viz., the relaxing, sedative, exciting, and bracing.

1. In the *relaxing* climates (e.g. Pisa, Madeira, Torquay) there is an elevated temperature with an excess of communicable humidity. They are unfitted for cases where we wish to restore diminished tone—to build up shattered constitutions; as well as for subjects with a tendency to hæmorrhage.
2. In the *sedative* climates (Rome, Pau, Venice) we find a freedom from great dryness on the one hand, and from communicable humidity on the other. We should not select these where it is desirable to quicken a slow circulation, or where the secretions are too abundant.
3. In the *exciting* climates (Nice, Naples, Montpellier, Florence, Genoa, &c.) there is an excess of dryness, a highly electric state of the air, an excess of ozone, and during the early months of the year keen irritating winds. Such climates are injurious where there is nervous and vascular excitement, a tendency to inflammation, or where functional repose is needed.
4. In the *bracing* climates (Southport, Brighton, Cannes, Mentone, Malaga, Algiers, &c.) the winter temperature while comparatively high is not oppressive, the air contains a moderate proportion of ozone, there is a certain amount of dryness, and the winds are less irritating than in the exciting class. They are generally to be avoided where there is a very sensitive state of the system, a tendency to apoplexy from hyperæmia, and in many affections of the heart or large vessels. But, as a general rule, they are more suited to cases of pulmonary consumption, and to renal and hepatic diseases than either of the others.

It would be of little practical use to introduce an extended table giving an approximation to the death-rate of different countries. But it is interesting to shortly notice, that, in 1881, the annual mortality from all causes stands thus:—

For England and Wales { population in }		25,968,286, { the deaths }		to each 1,000	
{ 1881 being }		{ are . . 20 }		{ persons living.	
" London.....	"	3,831,719,	"	21·3	"
" Bristol .....	"	207,522,	"	19·6	"
" Birmingham ...	"	402,314,	"	20	"
" Manchester .....	"	341,173,	"	25·5	"
" Liverpool .....	"	554,073,	"	28·7	"
" Dover .....	"	37,035,	"	15·4	"
" Hastings .....	"	45,310,	"	16	"

For Eastbourne .....	{ population in } 27,617, { the deaths } to each 1,000	
	{ 1881 being }	{ are . . 16 } persons living.
„ Brighton .....	107,953, „ 19 „	
„ Isle of Wight .....	73,652, „ 18 „	
„ Scarborough .....	32,616, „ 20.5 „	
For Paris .....	{ estimated } 1,988,906, { the deaths } to each 1,000	
	{ population }	{ are . 28.6 } persons living.
„ Berlin .....	1,128,897, „ 27 „	
„ Vienna .....	731,191, „ 29 „	
„ Turin .....	240,853, „ 25 „	
„ St. Petersburg .....	668,741, „ 51 „	
„ New York .....	1,242,533, „ 31 „	
„ Calcutta .....	429,535, „ 30 „	

When the locality to which an invalid is to resort has been decided upon, he should, on leaving home, be provided with a concise code of laws in writing; or he must be directed at once to consult a physician in practice at the town selected. His route had better be marked out for him; he should be cautioned as to the rate at which he is to travel; rules must be laid down as to the regimen he is to adopt; while he ought to be reminded that warm clothing, especially flannel, will be required. Frequently it will be better to have cheerful apartments, with a southern aspect, secured beforehand; so that at the end of his journey a few days' perfect rest may be enjoyed. The object of the tour ought to be clearly explained, while he is to be warned not to expect too much, especially at first. The physician in sending his patient abroad, is merely placing him in the position most favourable to recovery,—but still where other remedies and general precautions will be indispensable. Foreign travel would be more agreeable to most men, could the plague of sightseeing be dispensed with. But for the sick man to visit picture galleries, museums, damp old ruins, cold churches, &c., is frequently to frustrate the only object he should have in view, viz.—the restoration of his health. In giving directions as to diet it must be recollected that travelling is very exciting and wearying to the invalid; that the organs of digestion almost always become more or less deranged; and that many articles of food which are taken with advantage in England, disagree in warmer latitudes.

The best time for leaving England is between the end of September and the middle of October. The patient with pulmonary disease ought not to return until May. In many instances the Author has found it advantageous for the invalid intending to stay away from home for several months to carry with him a few pure drugs; together with a brief account of their properties, doses, and modes of combination. Not that he is to be encouraged to tamper with his health by playing the dangerous part of the amateur physician; but good advice cannot always be procured, or it may perhaps be had where only inferior drugs are obtainable for compounding the prescription. The medicines which are generally ordered are these:—

Sulphate of Quinia, 1 oz.  
 Reduced Iron, 1 oz.  
 Liquid Extract of Yellow Cinchona, 4 fl. oz.  
 Spirit of Ether, 6 fl. oz.  
 Liquid Extract of Opium, 2 fl. oz.  
 Sulphate of Zinc (for emetics, loctions, collyria, &c.), 3 oz.  
 Chloroform, 2 fl. oz.

Bicarbonate of Soda, 4 oz.  
 Compound Powder of Rhubarb, 6 oz.  
 Aromatic Powder of Chalk and Opium, 3 oz.  
 Tincture of Arnica (for bruises, burns, &c.), 2 fl. oz.  
 Morphia & Ipecacuanha Lozenges,  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 1lb.

Scales and weights: an ounce and a minim measure: a small spatula: an enema syringe, the cheaper and more simple the better: with lint and strapping, will complete the medical equipment. In certain special cases it may be well to substitute for some of the above drugs—blue pill, iodide of potassium, colchicum, gallic acid, tincture of digitalis, pepsine prepared from the pig's stomach, and oil of peppermint. Two invaluable medicines—brandy and cod liver oil—can be procured everywhere. An air-cushion often proves serviceable.

La Poudre Insecticide is sold in France, and is a very efficacious remedy against fleas. One or two teaspoonfuls, sprinkled over the sheets, serve to destroy these foes to comfort and sleep. Persian powder made with the leaves of a kind of groundsel, will have a similar effect; and so will camphor, though in a less degree. Mosquito curtains may also be taken from England; for mosquitos are a serious nuisance to all, but especially to the invalid, and they continue venomous in the south until the cold nights set in.

#### 430. *Middlesex.*

LONDON.—This city, the largest and most healthy in the world, is bounded by moderate hills; has a soil of loam and gravel, with clay resting on a bed of chalk; and is some fifty miles from the sea to the south and east. In 1881 the area of London was 122 square miles,—giving about 31,000 persons to a square mile of surface. The mean annual temperature is about 50° Fahr.: the average winter temperature being 38°, and that of the summer 63°. The nights especially are warmer than in the environs. The annual rainfall is 21·6 inches, the average number of days, more or less wet, being 178. Formerly certain springs in the neighbourhood of this city were used for medical purposes. Thus there were chalybeate springs at Hampstead and Sadler's Wells: aperient waters at the Beulah Spa, Kilburn, and Streatham. The aperient salt, as at Epsom, was sulphate of magnesia.

Delicate individuals are often better in London during the winter and spring, than in the country, owing to its greater warmth, and the greater steadiness of the temperature from day to day.—Asthma is such a precarious disease, that it is impossible to say beforehand what particular climate will suit any special example of it. But it is certain that very many asthmatics are better and more free from attacks in a large city, than in the clearer atmosphere of the country. Sufferers from this affection can especially apply to themselves the words of BACON,—“The goodness of the air is better known by experience than by signs.” Phthisical invalids will find BROMPTON or CHELSEA the most sheltered spots of the metropolis; but if they are benefited by a bracing air they must resort to BAYSWATER, or Highbury, or the upper part of KENTISH TOWN or to HIGHGATE.

HAMPSTEAD.—Many years ago, a mineral spring of repute in this village rendered it a fashionable watering-place. It is still a healthy suburb. From the heath, upwards of 200 acres in extent, there are many fine views. The air is pure and bracing, and well suited for children and convalescents. The low parts are damp, and should be avoided.—Like GREENWICH, RICHMOND, LEWISHAM, DULWICH, SYDENHAM &c., Hampstead often affords a convenient temporary residence for families driven from their town homes by the outbreak of some eruptive fever or other infectious disease,

431. *Kent.*

**MARGATE.**—The tonic and bracing air of this familiar locality renders it a very valuable temporary residence for many invalids. The atmosphere is extremely pure, the soil is dry and absorbent, and the water-supply good. Perhaps no place could be named which is more suitable for restoring the health of children and young people afflicted with any form of scrofula. In strumous diseases of the joints, the most marked improvement usually results from a few months' stay at this town. The bathing is good; though the flatness of the sands may be a disadvantage to the adult.

The mortality among the residents is very low. For a long series of years (1838 to 1862) the average annual death-rate was only 16 per 1000 for this class.—The season lasts from the middle of May until the end of September. Being open to the north and east, the air is very bleak during the late winter and early spring months.

**RAMSGATE.**—Is much frequented in the summer, owing to its gaiety, facilities for sea-bathing, &c. It is an excellent residence for delicate children during the months of October and November, when the crowds of visitors have left. The climate is warmer than that of Margate, and more bracing than that of the south-coast watering-places.—**BROAD-STAIRS** is situated in a pretty little bay about three miles from Ramsgate, and affords a very healthy and quiet sea-bathing place for children. The air is much less bracing than that of Margate.

**DOVER.**—This sheltered town is generally full in the summer and autumn. As a winter residence it is colder and more exposed to high winds than Hastings, but it is not therefore unsuitable for invalids who can bear a bracing air. In January the weather is often fine and invigorating, but decidedly cold. The easterly winds which prevail during March are very trying. May and June are very agreeable months, as are August, September, and October. The climate proves especially serviceable to those subject to strumous affections, chronic bronchitis, dyspepsia, nervous debility, congestion of the liver, &c.

**FOLKESTONE.**—The beautiful country in the neighbourhood, and the fine tonic air of this town, render it a most agreeable residence from the end of May until the beginning of November. Sufferers from dyspepsia, nervous irritability, and over-work will derive most benefit from this climate.—**SANDGATE**, about two miles to the east, offers a milder winter climate, with an exemption from fogs. The mean winter temperature is 41·76°. Consumptive and dyspeptic invalids, who find Brighton too bracing and Hastings too relaxing, may well winter at Sandgate, especially if they need quiet and seclusion.

432. *Sussex.*

**HASTINGS AND ST. LEONARDS.**—Situated about midway between Brighton and Dover, the climate of Hastings is very useful for invalids during the winter and spring months. Well sheltered from cold winds, with lofty cliffs and undulating downs, a beautiful and cultivated country, a dry and absorbent soil of clay overlaid with sand, a pure sea-air, and free from all sources of malaria, Hastings can be regarded as offering a healthy sedative climate during six or eight months of the year. The bathing also is good in the summer.—The mean annual temperature is

50°; that of winter being 40°, of spring 44°, of summer 60°, and of autumn 53°. The amount of rain in the year equals about 28·34 inches. South and south-westerly winds are most prevalent during the winter and spring, but unless high they cause very little discomfort. In the neighbourhood are various springs impregnated with iron and carbonic acid, but they are not much used.

Hastings is suitable for cases of dyspepsia with loss of tone, chronic bronchitis, neuralgia, chronic rheumatism, gout, and scrofula. For the diseases of childhood it is a good locality. The Author has not seen phthisical subjects derive much benefit from it, however; and sometimes he has thought that it seemed to induce hæmoptysis. DR. MACKNESS ("Hastings considered as a Resort for Invalids," London, 1842) has given a table of the causes of death during four years; from which it appears that the total number was 865; of these 254 being from chest affections, and of these latter 161 from consumption—viz., 91 inhabitants, and 70 visitors.

Although Hastings and St. Leonards now form one town, yet the former is the warmer and more protected, and hence better suited for very delicate invalids. Such as find Brighton agree with them from October until the end of December, may often advantageously spend January and February at St. Leonards.

**EASTBOURNE.**—Filling, as it were, a chasm between two cliffs, one of which is Beachy Head, this watering-place has rapidly increased in importance. It is visited in the summer for sea bathing; but is a good residence for invalids requiring a bracing air from September until the beginning of January. Cases of scrofula, consumption, hydrocephalus, and tabes mesenterica often derive benefit here. It is also to be recommended in functional disorders of the heart and nervous system.

**BRIGHTON.**—The climate is bracing and restorative, and is especially beneficial to invalids during the autumn and early months of winter. Although the town is sheltered on the north and north-east by the South downs, yet from the beginning of February until nearly the end of May cold north and easterly winds prevail, which prove very irritating even to the healthy. The annual fall of rain is 25·6 inches. The western is milder but more damp than the eastern cliff; but the tonic air of the latter agrees admirably where the circulation is torpid. The Old Steyne offers a climate intermediate between that of the western and eastern cliffs.

Diseases of a nervous hypochondriacal type are much relieved by the invigorating atmosphere of Brighton. Great good is also experienced when the vital powers are sluggish, when there is anæmia, or when disease of the kidneys exists. Strumous children and convalescents from acute disorders may also be sent to this part of the coast. It is unsuitable for individuals of an irritable or plethoric habit; for such as have a dry harsh skin, or any irritating cutaneous disorder; and for those who have a tendency to asthma, inflammatory affections, hæmorrhoids, &c.

**WORTHING.**—Lying twelve miles west of Brighton and with an aspect almost due south, this town is fully exposed to the sun's rays. It is sheltered from the hot winds of summer and the cold of winter by the South down hills, which have an average height of 600 feet. Hence it is warm in winter until the middle of February, and cool in summer

the air being neither too bracing nor too sedative. The mean temperature for the year is about  $51^{\circ}$ . The rainy days are fewer, and the quantity of rain that falls is less than at Ventnor or in the West of England. Occasionally the east and north-east winds render the air very bleak. During summer the fine sands afford excellent bathing.

Worthing can be recommended as a good residence for convalescents as well as for sufferers from lung diseases, whooping cough, scrofula, chronic rheumatism, and renal affections.

#### 433. *Hampshire.*

**SOUTHAMPTON.**—At the head of the Southampton Water, which stretches from the Solent and Spithead into the interior of Hampshire for some eleven miles, is the clean and handsome town of Southampton. The climate is said to be mild and humid, intermediate in character between that of Devonshire and Hastings. Though sheltered by the high grounds behind it, and by the New Forest, yet it is unsuited for most invalids, the temperature being variable. The effluvia from the river at low water are often very unpleasant.

A short distance from Southampton Water is NETLEY. Here has been built the Royal Victoria Hospital; which is especially intended for the reception of invalid soldiers from foreign stations, and which has become the head-quarters of the Army Medical School. The site seems to have been well chosen; while in most respects the arrangements of the building are excellent.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—This favourite watering-place, situated within a fine bay, is about ten miles from the western extremity of the Isle of Wight. It is well screened by hills and pine-woods from the north and north-east winds, but is exposed to the south-westerly gales. Owing to the nature of the soil, out-door exercise is practicable immediately after rain; while there are great facilities for easy walking. The mean annual temperature is  $51.00^{\circ}$ ; that of winter being  $42.38$ , spring  $49.11$ , summer  $60.18$ , and autumn  $51.71$ .

It may be recommended as a quiet healthy resort, during the winter for such invalids as are not affected by moderate variations of temperature, for those who are weak without having actual organic disease, and for persons returning from tropical countries. The climate is mild but not relaxing. During the spring and early summer months thick fogs and cold easterly winds are rather prevalent. In summer there is good sea-bathing; but the heat, and clouds of fine sand which rise when there is any wind, render Bournemouth unpleasant to man at this season.

#### 434. *Isle of Wight.*

**RYDE.**—The towns on the north side of the island—Ryde and Cowes—are more suitable for summer visitors requiring change of air and occupation, than for invalids needing a dry atmosphere and repose. The air is mild. Although the attractions of both localities are great, yet neither is the bathing good.

**THE UNDERCLIFF.**—This is the best part of the island for a winter and spring residence. The Undercliff extends from the village of Bonchurch to Black Gang Chine, a distance of six miles along the south



east coast. The scenery is romantic, sea fogs are rare except towards the end of May and during June, and both soil and atmosphere are dry; while it is well protected, by a range of lofty chalk and sandstone hills, from the north, north-east, north-west, and west winds. It is raised some fifty or seventy feet above the level of the beach; and may, therefore, be represented in the words of SIR JAMES CLARK, "as a lofty natural terrace, backed by a mountainous wall on the north, and open on the south to the full influence of the sun from its rising to its going down, during that season at least when his influence is most wanted in a northern climate."—The mean annual temperature is 51·35°; that of winter being 41·89, spring 49·66, summer 60·63, and autumn 53·58. The mean annual fall of rain is 23·48 inches; whereas at Newport in the centre of the island, it is 33·60.—The best season is from the beginning of November until the end of May: between August and October it is too relaxing and humid.

The Undercliff, of which VENTNOR is the chief town, may be resorted to by all those who need a genial and agreeable winter and spring climate. It allows the phthisical invalid to re-oxygenate his frame by almost daily exercise in the open air, at a season when he would be unable to do so at most other parts of England. The walks are fine and sheltered. The air is mild and yet of a bracing tonic character; and hence it differs from that of *Torquay*, which is of a more moist and relaxing nature. Patients with laryngeal and bronchial affections, hepatic and renal disease, atonic and nervous dyspepsia, and children with glandular swellings or strumous ulcers, do very well at this part of the island.

As a summer resort SANDOWN can be strongly recommended; its beautiful bay and open sea, its fine sands, its good bathing, its dry sandy soil, its good drainage, and its pure and abundant water supply being so many strong recommendations. For some few cases of disease not requiring a mild climate, Sandown may prove serviceable in the winter. The air is bracing as compared with that of Ventnor and Shanklin. The invalid can readily change from one of these spots to the other if necessary.

#### 435. *Dorsetshire.*

POOLE.—Standing on a peninsula, this old-fashioned town is an agreeable place for such as have to be driven from books and business to quiet and idleness. Owing to geographical peculiarities in its position, the tides in Poole harbour ebb and flow twice in the twelve hours.

WEYMOUTH.—This town, with the adjacent MELCOMBE REGIS, is a favourite summer resort; the beautiful bay of the latter, with its fine sands, being well adapted for bathing. In the autumn and winter the temperature is equable; whilst the air is so pure that it is suitable for invalids from various diseases. Indeed, so healthy is the climate supposed to be, that DR. ARBUTHNOT is reported to have jocosely said,—“A physician could neither live nor die at Weymouth.” As it is the nearest English port to Guernsey, seventy miles distant, it forms a station of the mailboats.

#### 436. *Devonshire and Cornwall.*

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON.—A quiet retired village, nearly five miles to the east of Exmouth, in a small open valley on the sea-shore. For

invalids who can climb the neighbouring hills it offers a mild and protected winter residence.

**DAWLISH.**—Resorted to in summer for bathing, Dawlish may be recommended as a winter resort for those needing a mild air. It is more humid than Torquay. Protected from northerly and south-westerly gales, it is still unfavourable in the spring owing to the biting east wind which finds access to the picturesque valley on either side of which this small town is placed.

**EXMOUTH.**—The new portion of this town stands high, and is much exposed to wind from every quarter. The old part lies along the margin of the river and the base of Beacon Hill, and is damp; though it has the advantage of being protected from south-westerly and northerly gales. Invalids who require a bracing air may be benefited here; but the cold variable weather in winter makes it unsuitable for those with pulmonary complaints.

**SALCOMBE.**—Well sheltered, this is said to be the warmest spot on the south-west coast. For such as seek a mild and equable winter temperature this small spot would be useful were it not for the want of convenient ground for exercise.

**SIDMOUTH.**—Recommended in summer and autumn for its bathing. Sidmouth is also a good situation for invalids requiring a mild relaxing air during winter. The mean annual temperature is  $50.2^{\circ}$ : that of winter being  $41.9$ , of spring  $47.5$ , of summer  $59.9$ , and of autumn  $51.6$ .—The annual average rainfall is  $27.9$  inches, the average number of days on which rain falls in the year being 141. During the years 1865 and 1866 the returns show a much increased rainfall. The soil of the town is gravel on red sandstone; the ground dries quickly after rain, so that the invalid can usually walk out on the Esplanade within half an hour of a heavy shower. The water supply is good.

**TEIGNMOUTH.**—The mean winter temperature is six degrees higher than that of London, while that of summer is five degrees lower. On account of its exposed position it is not suitable as a winter home for the sick.

**TORQUAY.**—The climate of this favourite locality, while mild and equable, is less humid than that of many other places on the south-west coast. It has a southern aspect, and is sheltered on all other sides by heights. Mean annual temperature  $52.1^{\circ}$ ; the average for the winter being  $44.0$ , spring  $50.0$ , summer  $61.2$ , and for the autumn  $53.1$ . The average annual amount of rain is  $35.20$  inches, and it falls on about 175 days in the year. The season is from September to May; and though it is not absolutely necessary for the invalid to leave during summer, yet it will be better for him to do so. November is generally very fine, being bright and sunny.

Torquay is useful in many cases of phthisis, chronic bronchitis, laryngeal affections, and rheumatism. In heart disease, when this organ is oppressed without much lowering of the vital powers; in inflammatory dyspepsia, with an over-irritable condition of the mucous membranes generally; and for invalids returning from tropical climates, —this town may be recommended.

The climate has a soothing influence upon the organs of respiration; but the effect upon the nervous, digestive, and muscular systems varie

according to the situation which the invalid adopts for his residence. DR. RADCLYFFE HALL recommends a feverish excitable consumptive patient to lodge in a sheltered part close to the sea, provided sea air does not disagree. When the feverishness is less marked, and there is danger from a sinking of the powers of life, a situation part way up the hills suits better; or the beautiful district of MEADFOOT, protected from the east and north-east by an extensive range of cliff, may be selected if close proximity to the sea be desirable. After a residence at the sea-level for a time, removal to the houses on the southern faces of the hills often proves useful.

**ILFRACOMBE.**—The fine and bold scenery of this town has attracted the attention of tourists during late years. Situated on the southern shore of the Bristol Channel, surrounded on three sides by the sea, Ilfracombe can be recommended to invalids who require a bracing air. The summers are comparatively cool; while the winters are warm and dry, but invigorating. Convalescents from tropical diseases often derive great good from wintering at Ilfracombe.

**EXETER.**—This fine old city, though standing upon elevated ground, is sheltered. Except during July and August (when it is close and relaxing) it offers an advantageous residence for invalids requiring a residence away from the sea. Its mean temperature in winter is 41·4°, spring 49·5, summer 62·0, and autumn 51·9. The average number of days on which rain falls in the year is 162, the annual amount being 31·90 inches.

Other neighbouring inland towns of Devonshire are agreeable and healthy: — **KINGSBRIDGE**, **TOTNES**, **NEWTON ABBOT**, **TIVERTON**, **CREDITON**, **CULLOMPTON**, **OTTERY**, **HONITON**, &c. Of the moor towns it need only be said the air is moist and misty. **DARTMOOR** is bleak and chilly, the mornings and evenings even of summer being cold.

**PENZANCE.**—This seaport, on the north-west side of Mount's Bay in Cornwall, is about ten miles from the Land's End. The climate is mild, but relaxing. It has a mean annual temperature of 51·8°; the mean for the winter being 44·0, for the spring 49·6, for the summer 60·2, and for the autumn 53·3. As a winter residence for invalids it possesses the twofold advantages of warmth, and great steadiness of temperature during the day and night. The disadvantages are that it is much exposed to wind and storm, and that it is humid—the annual rainfall being 44·6 inches. It should be avoided in the spring.

Penzance may be useful in chronic bronchitis, in the earliest stage of consumption if there be a dry harsh cough with scanty expectoration, and in the case of aged invalids who derive benefit from a warm moist atmosphere. It is injurious in phthisis with relaxation of the mucous membranes and copious secretion, in cases of hæmorrhage, in atonic dyspepsia, and in debility of a low nervous type.

**LAND'S END.**—The climate somewhat resembles that of South Devon, but as regards humidity and exposure to winds it is inferior to it. Invalids should not remain in this district during the winter and spring.

### 437. Gloucestershire and Worcestershire.

**BRISTOL.**—This city, situated chiefly in Gloucestershire, but partly in Somersetshire, has nothing to recommend it to an invalid. A few years

since, a gentleman who assured the Author that he always suffered either from gout or asthma, remarked that in Bristol he was generally afflicted with the former, but never with the latter; though directly he left this spot his breathing became impeded. Of the two evils he preferred a smoky city with gout, to pure country air with asthma.

**CLIFTON.**—Clifton is built on the sides and summit of a precipitous limestone hill, about one mile west of Bristol. In former days invalids resorted to this spot on account of its hot well: now it is in repute for its mild winter climate. The mean temperature for the year is  $51\cdot26^{\circ}$ ; that for the winter being  $39\cdot91$ , spring  $49\cdot79$ , summer  $63\cdot87$ , and autumn  $51\cdot49$ . The annual rainfall is  $32\cdot56$  inches; and the number of rainy days about 169. The lower part of the town is much milder and humid than the upper; and hence, while preferable during winter for many cases, is too relaxing in the summer. The loftier situations (such as York Crescent, with its southern aspect and sheltered sunny promenade) are beautifully situated and well adapted for invalids during the summer and autumn months.

The Hot Well lies at the foot of St. Vincent's Rock. It yields an abundant supply of water at about  $75^{\circ}$  F., containing small quantities of magnesia and lime, with an unusual amount of carbonic acid gas. Owing to the latter, it might perhaps be advantageously taken in dyspepsia with irritability of the gastric mucous membrane; but it is very rarely, if ever, employed medicinally.

**MALVERN.**—Perhaps there are few more healthy and pleasant spots in the kingdom for a summer residence than this. Built on the declivity of the Malvern hills, situated eight miles S.S.W. of Worcester, the scenery is all that can delight the convalescent, or the man who is broken down from over-work. The air is pure and invigorating; and is well adapted for bracing the system of such invalids as can bear an elevated site. Owing to the eastern aspect of the village, the strong winds of the winter and spring are severely felt.

There are two springs in the neighbourhood, which may be frequented for amusement. But the waters of St. Anne's Well and of the Holy Well are only pure and soft; the very small quantities of muriate of lime, sulphate of soda, and carbonate of lime which they contain, being useless in a medical point of view.

#### 438. *Lancashire and Yorkshire.*

**SOUTHPORT.**—Situated on the west coast of Lancashire, between the mouths of the Mersey and the Ribble, this watering-place is eighteen miles from Liverpool and thirty-two from Manchester. The climate is bracing and sedative, the air dry but not irritating, fogs are very rare, and the atmosphere is light and pure. The temperature is variable, changes occur rapidly, while the mean for the year is  $54^{\circ}$ . The sea-bathing is good at low water, the shore sandy, the water clear and pure, and the bay so well sheltered that it is seldom too rough.

As a summer and autumnal residence Southport is useful in laryngeal, bronchial and pulmonary affections; in tuberculosis; in dyspepsia with constipation and flatulence; in chronic rheumatism; in some forms of paralysis; and in nervous depression after long illness.

**GRANGE IN CARTMEL.**—At the head of Morecambe Bay, sheltered by the hills of the lake district of Cumberland and Westmoreland, it

preserves an equable climate, more mild than would be expected so far north. It may be resorted to early in spring and in autumn as well as throughout the summer, and makes a good northern winter residence for invalids. The scenery in the immediate neighbourhood is extremely pretty, and Windermere is within reach by a drive.

**SCARBOROUGH.**—Built on the slopes of a beautiful bay on the Yorkshire coast, in the form of an amphitheatre, this town is resorted to in the summer for its sea bathing. The season extends from June to October. It is suitable for nervous and hypochondriacal patients, for such as have been overworked and need change of scene and amusement, and for convalescents requiring a bracing air.

Close together at the Spa, there are two mineral wells,—the *North* or *chalybeate*, and the *South* or *saline* spring. There is not much difference, however, between their waters; those of both being mildly aperient, alterative, and slightly tonic. Their temperature is about 49°; and they yield nitrogen gas, carbonate of iron, chloride of sodium, sulphate of magnesia (most abundant in the South spring), sulphate of lime, and bicarbonate of lime. These waters may perhaps be useful in habitual constipation, dyspepsia, torpidity of the liver, and scrofulous complaints.

**FILEY**, seven or eight miles to the south of Scarborough, has many of the advantages of the latter, with the additional one for the invalid of quiet and retirement—not to say dulness. To the north is the ridge of rocks, known as “Filey Brig;” while to the south are magnificent lofty cliffs, with Flamborough Head. The sands extend for some miles. At the top of the cliff, on the north side of the town, there is a saline chalybeate spring.

**WHITBY.**—The air of this seaport town is bracing and pure, the sands are extensive and afford good bathing, while there is a chalybeate spring which is thought well of for its mild tonic properties. The country round Whitby offers beautiful rides and walks. As at Filey, the season extends from the beginning of June until the end of September.

**REDCAR.**—This is still further north than Whitby, and enjoys locally the reputation of being the most bracing place on the Yorkshire coast. The surrounding country is beautiful.

#### 439. *Wales.*

**LLANDUDNO.**—Situated in Caernarvonshire, in the most attractive part of North Wales, this watering-place has risen rapidly into favour during the last few years. It is often called the Welsh Brighton. The town lies between two bays—Conway and Llandudno. It is sheltered from the N.W. and E. by the Great and Little Orme's Head, huge masses of limestone rock which rise precipitously from the sea for many hundred feet. In summer the invalid will find a residence on the flat facing Llandudno bay most suitable. The beach is of sand; the bathing is good. For winter, the houses under the cliffs are to be chosen, owing to their sheltered position. The winter climate is comparatively mild.

The geologist will find beautiful and delicate fossils on the Orme's Head (Eucrinites of many species, Brachiopodous and Lamellibranchiate shells, as well as several species of Gasteropoda); while the botanist will be delighted with the many uncommon plants to be seen in the neighbourhood. Only four miles distant is Conway, with its most picturesque Castle.

**PENMAENMAWR**—situated at the foot of the mountain of the same name on the north coast near the entrance of the Menai Straits—is more quiet than Llandudno, and is preferable to it on many accounts in summer. The bathing here is good, and there are numerous walks and drives in the neighbourhood.

**BARMOUTH**, on the west coast, has a mild and sedative climate. The bathing is not good, on account of the flatness of the sands, but it affords some of the most charming walks and drives to be met with even in Wales.

**TENBY**.—This is the most fashionable bathing place in South Wales. Placed on the Pembrokeshire shore of Caernarthen Bay, the scenery of the neighbouring country is attractive and beautiful. The sands are smooth and good. The season lasts from June until the end of October. Invalids, however, can often stay with advantage during the winter; the atmosphere being then usually mild and spring-like, while accommodation can be obtained at moderate prices. There are not many days during the winter months when the invalid will be unable to take exercise in the open air.

The number and beauty of the Actinise and other zoophytes to be found at Tenby have been made known to all lovers of natural history by Mr. Gosse. There are few places which can compare with it for the seaside naturalist. Moreover, the botanist, geologist, and antiquarian will all find occupation in their favourite studies.

#### 440. *Ireland.*

**KINGSTOWN**.—This is one of the best frequented sea-bathing places in Ireland. Situated about seven miles south-east of Dublin, on the southern shore of the bay, the harbour is said to be one of the most splendid artificial ports in the United Kingdom. There are good walks in the surrounding country.

The sharp and bracing air of Kingstown proves injurious, during the latter part of the winter and the early spring months, to patients with disease of the lungs.

**HOLYWOOD**.—A small watering-place much used by the residents of Belfast, from which city it is about five miles distant. The beach is sandy, and good for bathing. There are chalybeate springs in the vicinity.

**QUEENSTOWN (Cove)**.—A town which consists of a series of terraces, built on the southern acclivity of Cove island, in Cork Harbour. It is well sheltered from northerly winds; is exposed to the full influence of the sun; and the winter climate is admirable, being mild and equable. The mean temperature for the year is 51.9°; that for the winter being 44.1, spring

50·1, summer 61·3, and autumn 52·0. The annual rainfall is 33·22 inches ; and the average number of days on which there is wet being 131. The invalid should settle here about the end of October ; and he will scarcely have a day during the ensuing four or five months when he will be unable to take exercise in the open air. Owing to the way in which the houses are built, at a variety of elevations, the exact locality chosen must depend upon the patient's malady and strength.

All diseases needing a sedative and slightly humid atmosphere may derive benefit at Queenstown. Laryngeal, bronchial, and pulmonary complaints are especially relieved by a winter residence here ; and so also are dyspeptic, strumous, rheumatic, and cutaneous affections. It is admirably suited for delicate children ; and for convalescents from whooping cough, eruptive fevers, &c. Functional disorders of the uterine system are often cured by it. In the summer there is excellent sea bathing.—PASSAGE and MONKSTOWN are very healthy villages, situated on the river, about half-way between Queenstown and the city of Cork.

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#### 441. *Scotland.*

The climate of Scotland is remarkably equable throughout the year ; the summer heat and winter cold being mitigated by the ocean winds. The mean temperature for the year is about 47° ; that for the northern counties being higher than for the eastern. The prevailing winds are from a westerly quarter ; blowing for more than two-thirds of the year from between the south-west and north-west points. In spring and early summer cold east winds prevail. The atmosphere is moist, nearly 100 inches of rain falling annually in some of the mountainous parts ; though along the southern shores of the Firth of Forth the amount is under 30, at Glasgow about 29, and at Musselburgh not more than 24 inches.

The air of EDINBURGH, though neither genial nor mild, is yet salubrious ; and is said to be favourable to longevity, as well as to the development of the mental and physical powers. The city extends northwards to the shores of the Firth of Forth ; Granton and the old fishing village of Newhaven being only separated from the town by a pleasant walk. The elevated situation of the city renders it exposed to violent winds ; but the effect of these is favourable, at all events to the inhabitants of the Old Town, by driving away many impurities. As a place of education for youths needing a bracing climate Edinburgh has great advantages.

The old city of ST. ANDREWS, situated on a rocky promontory some fifty feet above the level of the sea, has a wholesome genial climate. It should be avoided in the spring months, as it is then visited by a disagreeable chilly mist from the north-east ; but from July until the end of October the air is pleasant and salubrious. Sufferers from rheumatism, or invalids with weak lungs, had better not remain long in this city. The rate of mortality among the residents is somewhat high.

On the western coast there are several localities which seem to possess good winter climates for invalids. The island of BUTE, in the Firth of Clyde, has many advantages ; the air being mild and equable, though rather humid. Its mean temperature for the year is 48·25° ; that for winter being 39·62, spring 46·66, summer 58·06, and autumn 48·50. The annual rainfall is 38·62 inches ; there being more or less wet on about

150 days. Snow rarely falls in the winter, and there is a freedom from fogs. The island is protected from the east winds of spring; and there are great opportunities for outdoor exercise. The climate being rather sedative, invalids needing a strong bracing air must seek it elsewhere.

Hypochondriacs, sufferers from habitual constipation or sluggish action of the liver, and young men, with a predisposition to phthisis, are often much benefited by a summer or autumnal walk through the HIGHLANDS; and certainly for the overworked literary or professional labourer nothing can be more invigorating than such a tour. "I verily believe that I should die," said WALTER SCOTT, "if I did not see the heather every year."

#### 442. *The Channel Islands.*

All the Channel Islands are remarkable for their beautiful and varied scenery, for the temptations they offer to the zoologist and botanist, the mildness and humidity of their climates, the absence of great heat in summer and great cold in winter, and for the equability and duration of autumn. The east, north-east, and north winds which prevail in the spring, are disagreeable and injurious.

The climate of the Channel Islands is generally favourable in chronic disease, in asthma, in bronchial and intestinal disorders, and in affections of the urinary organs; while it is also suitable for convalescents from acute inflammations of the organs of respiration. The old and the young also are benefited by it: to them the effect is tonic and regenerating. Invalids from India and Australia may winter in these islands with advantage. They are unfavourable in chronic rheumatism, hepatic disorders, structural diseases of the uterus or ovaries, nervous dyspepsia, hypochondriasis, and in cases where there is a tendency to dropsy or hæmorrhage. Pulmonary consumption appears to be as common and fatal among the inhabitants as in most other localities.—The most favourable time for a stay in either of the group is from August until the beginning of February. In some instances, a change for a time, from one island to another, is productive of good.

These islands may be reached by steamers from Southampton or Weymouth in less than twelve hours. Invalids, especially ladies and children, should choose their day of sailing so as to avoid a rough passage across the English Channel; and so that they may not have to land in small boats. The packets can generally enter the harbour of St. Peter's Port in Guernsey, and that of St. Helier's in Jersey, except near low water on a receding tide.

GUERNSEY, the most westerly and exposed of the islands, has an average annual temperature of 51·50°; that for winter being 44·2, spring 47·7, summer 59·9, and autumn 53·8. Sea fogs are rare, except in the early part of the day in spring and autumn. The air is relaxing. The mean annual rainfall is rather more than 35 inches, falling in heavy showers on about 164 days, and more often in night than day. Percolation takes place rapidly through the gravelly soil; evaporation is also favoured by the brisk wind and sunshine. The walks are too hilly for most invalids. Guernsey is thirty miles from Jersey.

JERSEY is the largest of the group of islands, and the most important; being about twelve miles long, with an average breadth of five miles,



The surface of hill and dale is well wooded; the coast is rocky and precipitous; and it is exposed to the wind from every quarter. The mean yearly temperature is the same as for Guernsey; during three quarters of the year the average being higher, while it is lower in the winter. Nevertheless the latter is mild, frost and snow being very rare. The daily range of the thermometer is small, though it is greater than in Guernsey. St. Helier's contains nearly half the population of the island; but it is more foggy and humid, and therefore less suited for invalids than St. Aubin's, which lies three miles to the south-west of it. The sands are good for summer bathing.

The air of ALDERNEY and SARK is usually said to be drier and more bracing than that of Guernsey; while that of the latter is less relaxing than that of Jersey.

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#### 443. *South of France.*

PAU.—This, the chief town of the Department of the Basses Pyrénées, is about 125 miles south of Bordeaux and 56 miles east of Bayonne. It may be reached from London in 48 hours; and the season lasts from the beginning of November until the end of May. The mean annual temperature is about 56°. The average for September, October, and November is 56·4; that for December, January, and February 42·8; while for March, April, and May it is 54·0. The annual rainfall is about 43 inches, the rainy days numbering 119. Owing to the gravelly soil any quantity of moisture is readily absorbed. DR. PLAYFAIR, quoted by SIR JAMES CLARK, sums up the nature of the climate, thus:—"Calmness, moderate cold, bright sunshine of considerable power, a dry state of atmosphere and of the soil, the rains of short duration. Against these must be placed,—changeableness, the fine weather being as short-lived as the bad, rapid variations of temperature, within moderate limits. In autumn and spring there are heavy rains." The air in December, January, and February is dry, and out of the sun, cold; but even in these months the rays of the latter are so powerful that the pedestrian ought to protect his head with an umbrella. There are very few days on which the invalid will be unable to take exercise between 12 and 3 o'clock. The evenings, however, are chilly, and the nights cold.

Pau is not influenced by the west-north-west wind, the *Circius* of the ancients; nor by the north wind or *Bise* which produces a biting cold; nor by the north-west wind or *Mistral*; in fact, the climate is calm and soothing, high winds being rare. According to some physicians Pau is useful in cases with a scrofulous taint, in preventing generation of tubercle, and in checking softening of tubercle when formed. DR. TAYLOR states, that the predisposition to disease favourably influenced by this town, may be summed up in one general principle—viz., wherever it depends upon increased nervous and arterial action, permanently produced, either by temperament or by some cause leading to more active disease.

The climate is sedative (not to say depressing), modifying nervous and vascular irritation; and therefore beneficial in irritations of the mucous membranes of the air-passages or alimentary canal.—It is unsuitable where the powers of life are declining; in chronic catarrh or bronchitis of old people, with loss of tone and excessive expectoration; in chronic rheumatism or gout, with debility of digestive organs; in

tendency to apoplexy from passive congestion; in chlorosis; and in disorders attended with congestion of the venous system and diminished nervous energy. In all these cases the climate of Mentone (from the commencement of November until the end of February) is the remedy. In short, Pau is to be chosen when there is "functional derangement of a tonic irritable type, which paves the way to organic mischief." Acting on persons in health the air lowers the tone; makes the sanguine, phlegmatic; and the choleric, melancholic.

**BIARRITZ.**—A fashionable sea-bathing village on the shores of the Bay of Biscay, some 5 miles south-west of Bayonne, and 65 miles from Pau. The roads between the two places are excellent, and communication by diligence or omnibus very easy. It can be reached from London in about 48 hours. The air is warm; the temperature of the sea high; and there is always a soft invigorating sea breeze. When benefit has been derived from a winter at Pau, it is often advisable for the patient to go to Biarritz for the summer; returning to Pau for a second winter. The sandy gently-shelving beach is well adapted for bathing; which is no slight luxury in water at a temperature of 75° Fahr.

According to DR. HENRY BENNET, the climate not only renders Biarritz a favourite summer and autumn watering-place, but puts it among the eligible winter stations of the south. It is cheaper also in winter than summer, being then almost deserted by fashionable visitors. In cases of severe disease it is not equal to Pau, Ajaccio, or Mentone, the winter breezes from the Bay of Biscay being often very violent.

**MONTPELLIER.**—The reputation which this city formerly enjoyed as a winter residence for consumptive patients has entirely gone. The climate is dry, irritating and changeable; and though the heat of the sun is great, yet the winter winds are cold and unbearable. Mean temperature of the year 59·5°; winter 44·2, and summer 76. Phthisis is very prevalent amongst the native population. Invalids with relaxed mucous membranes and copious secretions, sometimes find advantage from spending the autumn here.

**MARSEILLES.**—This city, second only in importance to Paris, offers no residence for the invalid. Pulmonary consumption annually destroys a large number of young women and men. Catarrhs, pleurisy, and pneumonia are common; and so are cutaneous affections, diseases of the generative organs, and cancer.

Mean annual temperature 58·32°; winter 45·22, spring 55·91, summer 72·93, and autumn 59·21. Although these figures are high, yet the winter is sharp and cold, the winds being high and prevalent—especially the mistral (north-west). In spring, the variations in temperature are sudden and dangerous, and there is much rain. During summer the heat and dust and insects are intolerable.

**HYRES.**—This little town is agreeably situated, about two miles from the shores of the Mediterranean, and an hour and a half's drive from Toulon. The climate is clear, pure, dry, and tolerably mild. The greater portion of the town is sheltered from north and east winds; while it is open to the south, benefiting by the influence of the sun and sea-breezes. But it is exposed to the mistral, as there are no protecting hills on the north-west; and this blows frequently during the first three months of the year. It has been thought one of the best localities in the South of France for the winter abode of invalids with pul-

monary disease, as there is much fine weather, without great variations in temperature. The mornings and evenings, however, are cold; and hence, remembering too the prevalent winds, it should not be recommended. In summer the heat and dust prove very annoying. The best season is during April and May, or from the beginning of September to the end of November.

**CANNES.**—An agreeable seaport, on the shore of a small bay, well protected from cold winds. It has a climate more moist and sedative than Nice, and less so than Pau. The lower parts of the town should be avoided, as the drainage is bad. The overworked man of business, seeking fresh air, genial sunshine, and a locality possessing a combination of fine sea and mountainous scenery, may advantageously winter here. Cases of nervous dyspepsia are particularly benefited, and so are some forms of phthisis.

In the summer Cannes is resorted to for sea-bathing, the extensive sands being well adapted for this purpose. Sand baths are sometimes used for the relief of rheumatic and paralytic affections of the limbs; the patients being immersed up to the chest in sand warmed by the sun. Like mud baths they may serve to amuse the invalid, while he is breathing pure air and living by rule.

**NICE.**—The reputation long enjoyed by Nice for salubrity, has been found to have been greatly overrated. Protected towards the interior by the Maritime Alps and the Estrelles, cooled by the breezes of the Mediterranean, and with a mild dry climate, it would seem to be a favourable locality for phthisical patients. But notwithstanding these advantages the valley is exposed, during winter and spring, to cold irritating winds from the east and north-east; and the Nisands then suffer much from catarrh, ophthalmia, skin eruptions, pneumonia and irritable gastric affections.—The mean temperature for the year is 59·01°; for winter 46·33, spring 55·92, summer 71·83, and autumn 61·52. The variations between the warmth of night and day, of sun and shade, are remarkable. The annual rainfall is about 26 inches; most falling in October and November, leaving the other winter and spring months comparatively dry.

**M. CARRIÈRE** has compared the valley in which Nice is situated to an open fan, the arch of which is formed by the mountains, and the point by the shore, where the Var discharges itself into the sea. But the mountainous semicircle is indented in parts, and down these interruptions the winds blow from certain points, and injuriously affect consumptives.—The mistral is “the scourge of the Mediterranean shores of France and Sardinia.” It may continue one, three, seven or more days at a time; in autumn and winter it blows frequently, and hence it is absurd for invalids requiring a mild temperature and calm atmosphere to winter at Nice. The south-east wind, or sirocco, so injurious on the continent of Italy, becomes changed into a mild beneficial breeze during its transit across the Mediterranean to Nice; and hence it modifies winter cold, and summer heat and dryness. *La Croix de Marbre*, the suburb of Nice inhabited by the English, is most unfavourable for pulmonary invalids; being exposed to the libeccio (a relaxing south-east wind), and to the blighting influence of the mistral. The invalid if he will go to Nice should live at the foot of the heights, in one of the shady valleys open to the south. The brilliant sun entices him out of doors, and then the blighting piercing wind attacks him, and clings around him: no furs, no heavy

cloak, no flannel will keep out the cold. He ought not to venture into the open air too early in the day, nor should he remain there later than one hour before sunset. The bills of mortality of the Nisands give one-seventh of the deaths as from phthisis. That "Nice is one of the last places to which a foreigner labouring under tubercular phthisis should resort," is the opinion of DR. BURGESS. It is also unfavourable for nervous and susceptible invalids. The air may sometimes be beneficial in chronic rheumatism and gout; in all uterine derangements connected with a relapsed and torpid state of the system; for delicate children of a strumous habit; and for invalids returning from tropical climes. The stay should extend from the middle of October until the beginning or middle of January; for although the season lasts until the end of April, yet the invalid will seldom derive benefit from prolonging his residence beyond January. DR. TANNER was told that there were well-conducted Pensions both at Nice and Cannes, which were preferable to the hotels as being more quiet and homelike.

VILLA FRANCA.—This little town, a short distance from Nice, has a climate somewhat warmer and drier, and is less exposed to the north and north-west winds. The vegetation is luxuriant and early.

MENTONE.—Formerly, a small Italian town, but annexed to France in 1860, Mentone offers one of the most sheltered stations in the south of Europe. It is situated on the northern shore of the Mediterranean, at the foot of the Maritime Alps, and twelve or thirteen miles to the east of Nice on the road to Genoa. The bay, in the centre of which the town is placed, is completely protected from the north, north-west or mistral, and north-east winds by the mountains; while owing to the absence of fogs, the paucity of rain, and the great power of the sun, the air is very pleasant during the winter months. The mean temperature is a little higher than that of Nice. The night temperature is also mild, and not subject to great variations; so that many invalids are able to keep the air of their bedrooms pure by sleeping with the windows slightly open.

From the beginning of November until the end of April the climate is genial and bracing. The invalid must not remain during the summer. A residence here is very useful in phthisis, when the disease has not passed beyond the first stage; and even when it has reached the second or third, provided the tubercular deposit be limited to a part of one lung. It is also beneficial in chronic cases of consumption; chronic bronchitis; and chronic gout and rheumatism. Strumous children improve remarkably. Some who visit Mentone prefer the eastern bay, some the western; but whichever be chosen, care must be taken to select rooms having a south aspect, and with the bedroom not on the ground floor. According to DR. HENRY BENNET pulmonary consumption is a rare malady among the native population; the deaths from it being only 1 in 55, instead of 1 in 5 as in London and Paris.

For the sake of those who are not overburdened with wealth, it may be as well to remember that Nice and Mentone are both extravagant places, while *San Remo* is much cheaper, and the air is just as good during the winter. Moreover, twelve miles east of Mentone and seven miles west of *San Remo* lies *Bordighera*. It faces the south, in a fine bay protected from the due east and west winds by ranges of hills. The air is mild and exhilarating. The walks are good, being well protected from dust and wind. The palm, olive, orange, and lemon all flourish

on the hill, nearest the town. And lastly, the pleasure of staying at San Remo, or at Bordighera will be enhanced by reading a very charming tale—"Doctor Antonio."

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#### 444. *Corsica.*

This island, one of the most important in the Mediterranean, has shores mostly low, while the centre is mountainous. Corsica is healthier than the Riviera, and its air is more genial. The olive is indigenous. The scenery is grand. Within a few hours' drive of AJACCIO are several villages in the hills (*Orezza* with chalybeate springs, *Guagno* with sulphur springs, &c.), where invalids might reside during the summer after having wintered in Ajaccio. This clean and cheerful little town, on the west coast, is said to be especially charming during the months of January and February. The gulf of Ajaccio offers an excellent harbour for yachts; while it is protected from all winds but the south-west, by its semicircle of grand mountains in the distance. The sandy shore, with beautiful rocks, is greatly to be preferred to the shingly beach at Nice. The climate is as warm as that of Nice, and it is unexceptionally healthy. The air of Ajaccio is more soothing (less stimulating) than that of Mentone, without being relaxing like that of Madeira. Napoleon Bonaparte was born at Ajaccio on the 15th of August, 1769.

Ajaccio is the only locality in Corsica that appears thoroughly eligible as a winter residence. The climate of BASTIA is warm and agreeable; but the town has a small tideless port, and is exposed both to south-east and north-east winds. DR. MANFREDI, the surgeon of the civil hospital at Bastia, states that nearly all surgical wounds heal at once by first intention, while purulent absorption is almost unknown. Intermittent fever prevails in parts of Corsica towards the end of summer or beginning of autumn. It may be reached from Marseilles by steamer in fourteen or sixteen hours, or from Nice in eight or nine hours, and is thus within about forty-eight hours of London.

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#### 445. *Spain and Portugal.*

ALICANTE.—Lying along the shores of a bright open bay in the Mediterranean, is this healthy town. It is sheltered on the north and north-west sides by a limestone rock some 700 feet high, is free from malaria, and has a mild dry air with comparative immunity from high winds. The mean annual temperature is 63·7°, that for winter being 52·1. The rainfall is very moderate. In summer the calm open sea, and sandy beach, afford good bathing. In winter, whatever may be the temperature of the morning air, the middle and after part of the day will generally be mild and calm.

As a winter residence it may be recommended to such as need a dry and somewhat stimulating climate. It has been found useful in chronic bronchitis, with excessive secretion; as well as in atonic dyspepsia.

BARCELONA.—This, the chief city of Catalonia and the second in importance of Spain, has a mild winter air. It is open to the sea on the south and south-west, and is partially protected from westerly and

northerly winds by the hills at the back. The mean annual temperature is  $63.14^{\circ}$ , that of winter being  $50.18$ ; while there is rain on some 69 days in the year. Invalids requiring a rather stimulating and dry climate may reside here, but it cannot be strongly recommended. April and May are the most uncertain months.

CADIZ.—The semi-insular position of this commercial town, on the shores of the Atlantic, would seem to point it out as a suitable winter residence for those requiring sea air. The climate is soft, humid, and relaxing; the winters are mild and the summer temperate; the weather is showery, especially in winter and autumn, but the soil being porous, it soon dries; and there are few days during winter on which exercise cannot be taken in the open air. The mean annual temperature is  $62.75^{\circ}$ ; that for winter being  $52.80$ , though very often at this season the thermometer, in the shade, will stand at above 60. Rain falls on about 100 days in the year; but it generally comes in showers, with intervals of sunshine.

This town may be recommended for some irritable affections of the chest, and in certain cases of heart disease. Women with any tendency to ovarian or uterine disorders should avoid Cadiz. The stranger will find it best to reside in the central portion of the town,—as on the sunny side of the square of General Mina or San Antonio, or in one of the lesser plazas. The wall (*Muralla del Mar*) which nearly surrounds the town has on its summit an agreeable walk.

MADRID.—The capital of Spain, situated nearly in the centre of the Peninsula, is perhaps an attractive city for the tourist; but the irritating and stimulating character of the climate renders it an unfavourable one for the English invalid. The mean annual temperature is  $57^{\circ}$ ; but the range is so great that DR. FRANCIS has observed a thermometer pointing to below freezing a little after sunrise, stand at  $106$  at 3 o'clock P.M.—The winters are raw and long, with hard frosts and piercing cold winds: in summer the heat is irritating and oppressive, so that even the Spaniards cannot stand it.—“The subtle air,” says FORD in his Handbook, “which will not extinguish a candle, puts out a man’s life. \* \* \* \* No wonder, according to Salas, that even the healthy of those born there live on physic.”

MALAGA.—DR. FRANCIS speaks very highly of *Malaga*, which, indeed, seems to be the *El Dorado* of cities; for he asserts that there is no place in Spain, nor in the whole of Europe, as far as our present information goes, that possesses a climate at once so mild and equable, with so little variation from day to day. This seaport city is situated on the shores of a bay of the Mediterranean, 65 miles east-north-east from Gibraltar. The mean annual temperature is  $66.11^{\circ}$ , that of winter being  $54.41$ ; the heat of January corresponding with that of May in London. The air is neither too moist, nor too dry; and a lofty mountain range forms a protecting background to the winter winds. The annual rainfall is said to be only  $16\frac{1}{2}$  inches.

The longevity of the people is remarkable; persons aged from 80 to 90 being seen going about the streets in full possession of all their faculties. Though the ratio of mortality is 1 in 37, yet it must be remembered that this is larger than it would otherwise be, not only from the excessive mortality in early life ( $42.3$  per cent. during the first five years) owing to the mothers not nursing their infants, but likewise from the presence in the town of a large garrison and a crowded

convict establishment. The principal drawback seems to be the terral, a cold harsh wind from the north-west, which occasionally blows during the winter with great force. It causes restlessness and oppression at the chest, where there is any pulmonary affection. The air is also unfavourable in cases of disease of the nervous centres.

The invalid who requires a warm, dry, and gently tonic climate, with constant sunshine, may well visit Malaga for the winter. A residence here is especially useful when phthisis seems to threaten, or even when it is present in an early stage. He should live in the newer part of the town, where the soil is sandy, and through the centre of which runs the Alameda, a fine broad promenade bordered by cheerful well-ventilated houses. The Spanish custom of taking a siesta in the middle of the day ought to be adopted. There is regular steam communication with Liverpool, the voyage lasting seven or eight days.

**VALENCIA.**—This city, built upon the great plain of Valencia, is about three miles from the sea. It may be reached in seven days from England, by way of Marseilles.—The town is very clean, the climate unusually dry, though the water evaporated by the system of irrigation pursued impregnates the air with moisture; there are no cold fogs; the wind is soft and mild during winter, in summer refreshingly cool; and the mean annual temperature is  $63.5^{\circ}$ , that of winter being  $49.7^{\circ}$ . The cold is often appreciable in early morning and after sunset during winter, but it is warm by midday. The springtime is the best—from the middle of February till the beginning of May: autumn is to be avoided, owing to the miasmata from the rice plantations.—Consumption is not uncommon among the poor; but then in no part of Spain does the labourer work harder, or subsist on a more meagre diet.

Useful for the overworked man of business, semi-invalids, and hypochondriacs, individuals with impaired health but no organic disease, gout and rheumatism, calculous affections, albuminuria, and nervous dyspepsia. There are several towns within easy reach of Valencia where the invalid may go for a short stay,—such as *Alicia*, *Carcajente*, *Jativa*, *San Felipe*, &c.

**SEVILLE.**—The famous capital of Andalusia, and the city of Figaro, possesses a soft and tonic climate. It may be visited by the hypochondriac, by convalescents from lingering disease, &c.; or the invalid who has wintered in Malaga might advantageously stay here during May. The best part of the year is from November to March. There is considerable rain in October, November, and April. Occasionally during the summer the sultry and irritating levante or east wind prevails, giving rise to fever, ophthalmia, mental irritability, and neuralgic affections.

**ARANJUEZ.**—Situated 24 miles south of Madrid, on the left bank of the Tagus. The season consists of April and May, during which months the climate is soft and most agreeable. The water of the town contains a little sulphate of soda, and hence it sometimes proves aperient if taken largely.

**LISBON.**—The capital of Portugal has a dry and bracing climate; though the changes from sunshine to rain, from heat to cold, are sudden and remarkable. Hence it is not to be recommended for pulmonary invalids; while, moreover, phthisis is very prevalent among the inhabitants.

The mean annual temperature is about  $62^{\circ}00'$ ; that for winter being  $52^{\circ}52'$ , spring  $59^{\circ}66'$ , summer  $70^{\circ}94'$ , and autumn  $62^{\circ}48'$ . The annual rainfall is 28 inches, most wet days occurring in winter. The predominating winds are those from north-east to south-east, and to them is due the cold of winter.

DR. FRANCIS says that the best situation for an invalid who wishes to pass the winter in Lisbon, is the upper part of the Val de Pereiro, a continuation of the valley in which the new part of the town and the public gardens lie. "Here, upon the southern slope of the hill, are a few villas in the midst of orange gardens, which are well sheltered, and afford choice views over the town and river. Those who prefer a country residence, may select the neighbourhood of *Bemfica*, a village on the Cintra road, about a league from Lisbon. This place is in high reputation, among the Portuguese physicians, for the purity of the air, and it is here they send their convalescents."

CINTRA.—A summer residence of the court and wealthy inhabitants of Lisbon, from which it is only sixteen miles distant. Frequent breezes, a humid soil, and an abundance of vegetation render the summer air cool and healthy. The winters are wet and cheerless.

#### 446. Gibraltar.

This strongly fortified portion of the British possessions occupies a mountainous promontory near the southern extremity of Spain, at the entrance of the Mediterranean. The town is built on the western aspect of the rock. It is unsuitable as a residence for invalids. For though the average winter temperature is  $57^{\circ}93'$ , yet the prevalence of the south-east wind—the levante—renders the locality cold, raw, and very unpleasant. Snow and ice are very rare, but there is considerable rain. The annual rainfall is 43 inches.

#### 447. Italy.

LAGO MAGGIORE.—The largest of the lakes of Northern Italy. Along its shores are small towns resorted to by English invalids in summer. *Baveno*, *Arona*, and *Sesto* are the most frequented. But the climate, though clear and pure, is often marred by the violent thunderstorms which prevail in summer; there are heavy dews at night, while the neighbouring glaciers make it cold when the wind blows from that quarter. The air is injurious to phthisical invalids, but useful in general debility, in dyspepsia, and for such as need a cool tonic atmosphere.

LAKE OF COMO.—Situated to the north-east of Milan, from which it is not far distant.—The air is genial and mild, the temperature equable, and the heat not oppressive, owing to the alternate play of the tivano or north wind during the night, and the breva or south wind in the day. For ordinary invalids in summer the best situations on the lake are *Balbianino*, *Torno*, and *Bellagio*; but for the consumptive *Varena* is more suitable. *Cadenabbia* and *Tremezzine*, on the shore near the middle of the lake, are very beautiful spots; while, according to Dr. Burgess,



*Pliniana*, the most noted spot along these classic shores, the supposed residence of Pliny, will not yield precedence to either in climate or situation. The cold in the winter is great, especially at the northern extremity of the lake.—No part of Italy perhaps is so suitable for the consumptive in summer, as the Lake of Como. That dreaded disease called pellagra, a kind of leprosy, is not uncommonly seen here. From one-third to a fourth of the lunatics in the Lombardy Asylum are suffering from it, for it induces insanity; while many cases of it, in early stages, are to be found in the hospitals.

**MILAN.**—This city, the capital of the Lombardo-Venetian kingdom until 1859, when it was made over to Sardinia, is situated in a fertile plain between the Olona and Saveo Rivers, at an elevation of 394 feet above the Adriatic. It is indifferently sheltered from the various winds, so that the climate is cold; snow and rain are frequent during the winter; while the sudden transitions from humidity to a dry harsh air, render it an unfavourable locality for any but the strong. It is frequented by consumptives going to, or returning from, the south of Italy; but the shorter their stay, the better. In 1831, official returns showed that, amongst the Milanese alone, 20,000 individuals were attacked by pellagra.

**BRESCIA, PAVIA, VERONA, AND MANTUA.**—The principal towns of Lombardy, are all particularly unsuitable for invalids. Agues, fevers, and inflammations are very common. The cold in winter is intense; the atmosphere is saturated with moisture; there are dense clouds and fogs; there are large quantities of rain, in the form of a fine continuous drizzle; and cold winds are very prevalent, especially the north-east.

**VENICE.**—This city, the Queen of the Adriatic of the poets, is built on piles, in the midst of a lagoon or large marsh, two miles from the mainland of the Continent. It would seem to be slowly crumbling to decay. The climate is mild and equable; the air being impregnated with emanations of bromine and iodine. Consumption is prevalent among the inhabitants. Invalids are not attracted to Venice by the climate, however, but by its historical associations, and many sickly persons are to be found on the favourite promenade—the Piazza of St. Mark. The mean temperature of winter is about 39° F., of spring 54, summer 73, and autumn 55. Drizzling rain sometimes falls for days together. The result of seven years' observation gave a mean of 5½ days of snow in winter.—In Venice the *dolce far niente* practice is fully carried out; the climate being favourable to indolence and voluptuous ease. Contrary to what might be expected, ague is unknown. The tranquillity which prevails over the city is not unfavourable. As the climate is sedative and lowering, it is not fit for those who are depressed by disease; and except in the early stage, it is injurious to phthisical patients. It is suitable for such as have a tendency to inflammation, hæmoptysis, &c. Invalids may remain here from the close of autumn to the end of spring; but it is most agreeable in the latter season.

**GENOA.**—This town, at the head of the Gulf of Genoa, is one of the last places for a consumptive to pass any time at. The vicissitudes of temperature are rapid, and extensive; there are sudden gusts of wind;

while the biting coldness of the tramontana or north wind, alternating with the warmth and humidity of the sirocco or south-east, the two prevailing winds of Genoa, proves very trying. The best time for a visit to Genoa (not by a consumptive) is about the autumn or beginning of summer. Pneumonia, hæmoptysis, consumption, and catarrh are amongst the most frequent diseases of the inhabitants.

**FLORENCE.**—Situated on the Arno, a few hours' ride from Pisa, this city may be an agreeable residence for the very strong. But certainly in no part of England could a more unfavourable climate be found for consumptives. It is built in a deep ravine, almost surrounded by the Apennines, and intersected by a squalid river. It is one of the stations on the western zone of Italy where it rains the most. Extreme cold in winter, great heat in summer, chilling northerly winds, occasional fogs, violent atmospheric and thermal variations,—these are its chief peculiarities in a sanitary point of view. The nervous excitability of Florentines is explained by the topography of the city. As the birthplace of Dante and Leonardo da Vinci and Machiavelli, &c., as the scene of Savonarola's preaching and martyrdom, as well as for its churches and palaces and magnificent works of art, Florence offers many attractions to the tourist.

**PISA.**—The dismal aspect of this neglected city surpasses that of any other in Italy. The dreary solitude of the streets causes gloom and melancholy; while everything seems stricken with decay or death. It is often recommended for consumptive invalids; but the climate is mainly indebted to tradition—being mild, humid, and relaxing. The sky is dull and often murky. Perhaps the high walls around Pisa assist in protecting portions of it from the cold winds, especially the Lung' Arno, or that quarter where the invalids reside. The mean temperature of winter is about 45°, spring 59, summer 74, and autumn 63. The winter is colder than at Rome. The air is moist from the great prevalence of southerly and Mediterranean winds. The climate is very depressing—causing general lassitude while it enervates the faculties. Many foreign invalids die within a few weeks of their arrival. Hæmoptysis frequently sets in where there is any tendency of phthisis.

**ROME.**—Situated on marshy ground at the foot of a range of low hills, about fourteen miles from the sea, and divided by the Tiber into two unequal portions, Rome has not so much to recommend it to those really in search of health as many other places. The climate is mild, soft, and sedative; but malarious effluvia, in a greater or less degree, are never absent. The best time in the year is October and the first ten days of November. The mean annual temperature is 60·49°; that of winter being 46·75, spring 58·25, summer 74·24, and autumn 62·75. Owing to its exposure to cold winds, the variations in temperature are great and sudden. Northerly winds are common in the morning and evening, though in the middle of the day the wind blows from the south. The tramontana is cold and searching; but the prevalent wind is the sirocco from the south-east, which is hot, sometimes dry, and sometimes so moist as to render the streets slippery and damp. Under its influence the tissues relax, appetite fails, bowels become torpid, spirits flag, and the weakly get oppressed with lassitude and headache. If an invalid will go to Rome in the winter, let him spend as much time as he can in St. Peter's. No other public building can compare with this church as

regards possessing a dry equable temperature all the year round. The mild genial air in its interior is so prized, that the sickly meet and promenade in St. Peter's when the weather will not permit of exercise in the open air.

DR. BURGESS entertains a very unfavourable opinion of the sanitary value of this city. And he points out that the popular feeling in favour of a mild and relaxing climate for consumption is altogether wrong, being based upon erroneous data, if not upon mere tradition. A cold climate, such as that of Norway or of Canada, and still air, are evidently more rational indications, if the formation of tubercle is the result of a relaxed state of the vital functions, involving impaired digestion, depraved nutrition, and degeneration of the blood. Nothing is more calculated to derange the digestive organs than the sedative influence of a malarious atmosphere. The mild climate allays bronchial irritation, at the expense of the general health and of disordered nutrition.

The most fitting localities in the city for the invalid with any bronchial irritation, chronic rheumatism, &c., are the north and west sides of the Piazza di Spagna, as having a southern exposure; or he may choose one of the streets running east and west from, and near to, the Piazza,—the Strada de' Condotti, Strada della Croce, Strada Frattina, &c., the north sides of which gain the southern sun, and all of which are on sheltered ground. The south side of the Strada del Corso should be avoided, as the Tiber frequently overflows in winter, generating low fever, &c. The Piazza del Popolo is also subject to damp fogs. In most cases the second and third floors of a house are preferable to the first; since, owing to the narrowness of the streets, they are more exposed to the sun. The higher and more exposed ground of the Monte Pincio, Via Sistina, Piazza Barbarina, &c., is suitable for those with healthy chests, and who can bear a high wind.—The stay may extend from October till the end of May.

NAPLES.—The climate somewhat resembles that of Nice, but is variable and humid. Situated on the northern shore of the Bay of Naples, on the slopes of a range of hills, near the foot of Vesuvius, this city seems to offer all that is charming to the man in health, and everything that is pernicious to the invalid. The mean annual temperature is 60·26°; winter being 47·65, spring 57·56, summer 74·38, and autumn 61·46. Besides other winds, it is exposed to the sirocco or south-east, which is enervating to both body and mind; as well as to the mistral or north-west, which brings raw piercing cold and damp. Catarrh, pneumonia, phthisis, rheumatism, ophthalmia, uterine disease, and cutaneous affections are common amongst the inhabitants. EUSTACE says, and apparently with reason,—“If a man be tired of the slow lingering process of consumption, let him repair to Naples; and the *dénouement* will be much more rapid.” Indeed, so fatal is the climate to invalids with pulmonary disease, especially during the winter, that the proverb, —“Vedi Napoli e poi mori,” may be interpreted in a more literal sense than that intended.

BAIÆ AND POZZUOLI.—Situated in the vicinity of Naples, these towns are recommended by M. CARRIÈRE as winter residences for invalids already sojourning in the Neapolitan territory. The air is humid and mild, and little disturbed by violent winds. But the undrained swamps in the neighbourhood of Baiæ, and the fatality of phthisis at Pozzuoli, ought to deter any invalid from leaving England for these stations of

classic renown, however anxious he might be to escape to them from Naples.

ISCHIA.—The island of Ischia, in the Mediterranean, can be reached by steamer from Naples in about three hours; or the sea passage may be much shortened by driving from Naples to Miliscola, crossing over to the small island of Procida, only two miles and a half distant, and thence to Ischia, which is separated from Procida by a channel two miles in breadth. The circumference of Ischia is rather more than twenty miles. Nearly in the centre of the island is Monte Epomeo (the Mons Epomeus of the ancients), the highest point of which is 2,574 feet above the level of the sea. Bishop Berkeley seems to have been delighted with a three or four months' residence at Ischia. Thus he speaks of the island as "an epitome of the whole earth;" containing within a compass of eighteen miles a wonderful variety of hills and valleys, ragged rocks and fruitful plains, barren mountains and beautiful vineyards, cornfields and orchards, natural fountains and rivulets, &c., "all thrown together in a most romantic confusion." The air in the hottest season is refreshed by cool sea breezes. The hedgerows are of myrtle, with the aloe and prickly pear; and there is an abundance of delicious fruit.

The baths of Ischia have been in repute for centuries. Strabo and Pliny were acquainted with the virtues of some of the waters. Their chief characteristics are the large quantities of chloride, sulphate, and carbonate of soda which they contain; combined with magnesia, lime, &c., and a large volume of carbonic acid gas. Their temperature is high: *e.g.*, that of the *Acqua del Tamburo* is 210° Fahr., and that of *Petrelles*, on the south side of the Island, 205°.

The principal and most picturesque village on the island is *Casamicciola*; which is situated on high ground behind *Lacco*, is sheltered on the north-west and south sides by Monte Epomeo, and is in the neighbourhood of the chief springs now in use. These springs rise in the *Val Ombrasco*, a ravine at the base of Monte Epomeo. The most celebrated spring is the *Acqua di Gurgitello*, which is used for bathing and drinking. It contains chloride of sodium, carbonate of soda, sulphuretted hydrogen, and nine cubic inches per cent. of free carbonic acid gas; while the temperature of the water is often as high as 170° Fahr. This spring is useful in cases of chronic gout and rheumatism, sciatica, scrofula, nervous irritability, &c.

Near the *Gurgitello* is the *Acqua di Caponne*, used for drinking only. The water, like that of Wiesbaden, has the taste of chicken broth: the temperature is 98° Fahr. DR. A. VANS BEST told the Author that the Italians praise this water for its good effects in renal, vesical, and uterine complaints.

Below *Casamicciola* is the pretty village of *Lacco*; in which are the hot air and sand baths of *Santa Restituta e Regina Isabella*. The most celebrated natural vapour bath in the island is the *Stufa di S. Lorenzo*; the steam from which is discharged from crevices in the lava at a temperature of 135° Fahr.

Independently of its remarkable mineral springs the climate of Ischia is delightful. The evenings are rather cold during the winter and spring months, but the air is genial throughout the day. The heat of summer is mitigated by the sea breezes, while the vines and orange trees afford a beautiful shade. A stay of some weeks on the island can be recommended in hepatic and splenic disorders, in the early stages of

Bright's disease and other forms of renal mischief, as well as in gouty and rheumatic and neuralgic affections. Invalids from India might well be advised to recruit at Casamicciola.

#### 448. *The Ionian Islands.*

This group of islands in the Mediterranean, off the west coast of Greece and Epirus, ceded to the Greeks by Great Britain in 1863, consists of *Corfu, Cephalonia, Zante, Santa Maura, Ithaca*, with many smaller islands. Their surfaces are mountainous and rugged, but in some of the larger islands there are fertile plains. They vary but little in climate; the winters being stormy and wet, with northerly winds, the springs warm, and the summers dry and hot. Intermittent and remittent fevers, dysentery and diarrhoea, phthisis and pneumonia are prevalent. As a tour for the hypochondriac a visit to these islands may be recommended.

#### 449. *Malta.*

Of an area not much exceeding that of the Isle of Wight, this island forms the chief station of the British fleet in the Mediterranean, and is daily called at by ships of all nations. The atmosphere is clear and bright, the annual rainfall about 15 inches, the air mild and bracing in winter, and the temperature equable, with a yearly average of about 64°. Heavy gales of wind are not very frequent, though the atmosphere is never entirely calm. The gregale or north-east wind is cold in winter, and often does damage in the harbour of Valetta; while the sirocco or south-east prevails especially in August and September, is hot and humid, and produces lassitude with debility.

The REV. JAMES SHERMAN, who suffered from consumption, writing from Malta on the 16th of January, 1861, said:—"A blazing sun shoots his rays into my room, and a delicious breeze makes it sufficiently cool. I look out on a sort of Regent Square—people traversing up and down in crowds—a beautiful garden opposite my window, with hundreds of oranges on the tree—priests, beggars, and guides jostling one another in every direction—a side view of the ocean—a deep blue sky, without a cloud—and at night the stars looking so large, near, and brilliant, that I can scarcely believe I am only 4½ days from the frost and snow of England. The climate seems most delicious, and well adapted to invalids."

The weather is most agreeable from the middle of October until the end of January. Asthma connected with chronic bronchitis, atonic dyspepsia, strumous glandular swellings, and deranged health from overwork,—these are the cases which are most likely to be benefited by a stay in the cheerful bustling capital of Valetta.

#### 450. *Egypt.*

One of the earliest civilized localities of the world, this country has long been divided into the provinces of *Said* or *Upper Egypt*, *Vostani* or *Middle Egypt*, and *Bahari* or *Lower Egypt*. Upper and Middle Egypt are more healthy than the Delta. There are only two seasons in Egypt,—the temperate from October to March, and the hot from March

to October. At *Cairo*, the capital, the climate is healthy, little variable, and remarkably dry; rain falling very rarely. The nights and early mornings during the winter are cold, especially those of the last half of December and the first fortnight of January. The mean temperature of the year is  $72^{\circ}2'$ ; that of winter being  $58.5$ , and of summer  $85.1$ . Taking the whole of Egypt, the mean temperature in December, January, February, and March may be said to be about the same as that of this country in June, July, and August. Between April and June a hot wind sometimes blows from between the south and south-east. It is known as the "khamseen," because this word is the Arabic for fifty; and these winds are most prevalent during the fifty days preceding Whitsuntide. A khamseen may continue for two or three or more days; the air is rendered hazy from the sand and dust suspended in it; while the thermometer, in a sheltered spot, will often reach  $110^{\circ}$ .

The invalid should leave England rather early in October, so choosing his time of sailing by one of the Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamers, as to be able to see the best spots on the south coasts of Spain and Portugal, Gibraltar, and Malta. This arrangement will usually be preferable to that of beginning the voyage at Marseilles. From Malta to Alexandria occupies only a few days: the traveller ought to arrive at the latter by the middle of November. Leaving this port as soon as "the Sights" are visited, he proceeds to Cairo by railway; whence he begins to ascend the Nile, so as to reach Thebes by the beginning of December. The climate of Thebes is all that the valetudinarian can desire; and hence he may either remain there, or proceed southerly in the direction of Nubia. But, however far this trip may extend, he should be back in Cairo by the end of March; whence he may arrange his home journey, by way of Greece and Constantinople, so as to be in England by about the latter part of June.

The necessity for travelling by, and living in, boats after leaving Cairo, has of course certain disadvantages, and is somewhat expensive. But with a dry balmy atmosphere, and a sky bright and cloudless, the invalid may find much that is most agreeable and exhilarating in the even progress of a Nile boat—a dahabeëh. The two chief annoyances to the traveller in Egypt are the dust, and "Baksheesh." The former may be mitigated by suitable clothing—mohair dresses for ladies, and flannel shirts with tweed suits for gentlemen; while the latter must be avoided by not exhibiting too much liberality, and by bargaining beforehand with dragomen, guides, coachmen, boatmen, &c. The diet should be simple and unstimulating, but nourishing; light Hungarian or Bordeaux or Rhine wines are preferable to port and sherry and brandy. Bitter beer is often serviceable; but stout and porter should be avoided. Purgatives ought to be taken as seldom as possible. Cod liver oil often disagrees; while all preparations of bark are more than ordinarily apt to produce headache and hepatic derangement. The climate may especially be recommended in the early stages of tuberculosis, except in cases in which there is a dry irritable cough, in chronic bronchitis, in clergyman's sore throat, tertiary syphilis, some forms of asthma, gout and rheumatism, renal diseases, dyspepsia, and affections of the nervous system.

#### 451. *Algiers.*

The city of *Algiers*, the capital of an extensive country of northern Africa, bordering on the Mediterranean, has been much resorted to by invalids. It can be reached easily in seven or eight days from London;

by way of Folkestone, Paris, Lyons, Marseilles, and thence by steamer in forty-eight hours. About the end of October is the best time for the invalid's arrival on the coast of Africa; the great heat having then usually ceased, and the first rains having refreshed the lands, so that the country has the appearance of spring.

Speaking of this city, DR. MITCHELL says that with difficulty, if at all, will the European traveller find a spot on earth where natural beauties so combine with those of man's creation to please and interest him. One of the long sides of the oblong of which the "Place du Gouvernement" is formed, is open to the sea; commanding a view of the bay, the harbour, the peaks of the distant Atlas, and the verdure of the Sahel slopes. The "Place" itself is filled with a strange mixture of all races; the Arab, the Moor, the turbaned Jew of Africa, the Maltese fisherman, the Spanish fruitseller, the veiled women of Moslem, the picturesque Jewess, the pretty Spaniard, &c. &c. The invalid will find objects of interest without seeking them, and will be gratified and amused merely by wandering in the open air.—The mean annual temperature is about 66·50° Fahr. The mean temperature for each season is—winter, 56·91; spring, 67·60; summer, 77·73, and autumn, 63·80. The rainfall is 36 inches: rainy days, 96. Winter fogs are rare. Snow has fallen once in seven years. Compared with other points on the Mediterranean, Algiers has a warmer and a less varying climate than Marseilles, Nice, Genoa, and Naples; while it more nearly approaches, but is still superior to Malta, Corfu, and Gibraltar.—DR. MITCHELL quotes the opinions of M. ODBULTZ, which are to the following effect:—1st, The climate of Algiers is opposed to the generation as well as to the evolution of tubercle in the lungs: 2nd, This morbid production is observed but very exceptionally among the indigenous population: 3rd, Europeans who do not bring the germ of the disease to Algiers, almost never become phthisical: 4th, Those who do bring not only a predisposition, but actually crude tubercle, in greater or less quantity, in the lung, are often cured; or, in the worst cases, the progress is extremely slow: 5th, When the tubercle has softened, the climate is no longer favourable, but the reverse.

The climate is also beneficial in laryngeal and bronchial affections; in chronic heart disease; in gout and rheumatism; and in renal disorders.—Nervous complaints, paralysis, epilepsy, and convulsions are aggravated by it. Cerebral congestions, gastric and hepatic disturbances, and a plethoric condition of the uterine organs, appear to be common in Algiers.

Tangiers possesses a climate equal to that of Algiers, and is gradually becoming available as a winter residence for invalids.

#### 452. *The Azores—Madeira—Canaries.*

THE AZORES OR WESTERN ISLES.—This group of nine islands belonging to Portugal, lies in the midst of the Atlantic Ocean. They are of volcanic origin, all possess similar features, and all have mild equable climates. The atmosphere is saturated with moisture. A winter trip to the Azores may be recommended where a soothing relaxing climate is needed. Hence it is beneficial in inflammatory dyspepsia, bronchial irritation with scanty secretion, and in the premonitory stage of consumption. SIR JAMES CLARK thinks that a change from the Azores to

Madeira, and from thence to Teneriffe, would in many cases prove more beneficial than a residence during the whole winter in any one of these islands.

**MADEIRA.**—Of the group of Madeira Isles, the largest and most important is Madeira, about 120 miles in circumference. Funchal, its capital, has long enjoyed great reputation as a winter residence for the phthisical. It is almost certain that this reputation is now undeserved. Where the disease is advanced and the irritable lungs are soothed by a humid heat, some of the distressing symptoms of phthisis are alleviated by a stay at Funchal; but such relief does not stay the increase and degeneration of tubercle. The invalid who leaves this country about the middle of October, can reach Madeira in from ten to fourteen days; where he will find himself in a tropical climate, with an unclouded sky, a glowing sun, a deep blue sea, a luxuriant and varied foliage, and beautiful hills which were covered with flourishing vineyards. In the autumn of 1852, however, when the vine disease suddenly broke out, there was a sad change; the plants being destroyed by the deadly fungus. The return voyage should be undertaken about the beginning of June.

The climate of Madeira is mild, equable, and moist. There are occasional storms of wind and rain, and fires are often necessary in the mornings and evenings. The mean annual temperature is 64·9°; that for winter being 60·6, spring 62·3, summer 69·5, and autumn 67·3. The annual rainfall is 29·23 inches; the days on which there is wet being about 70, whereas in London they number 178. The most injurious wind is the hot parching leste, from the east-south-east; which is often charged with a fine dust, very irritating to the air passages.

The invalid who cannot bear a dry and irritating climate, but needs a mild and soft and relaxing atmosphere, will obtain it here. Laryngeal, bronchial, and pulmonary diseases are soothed; and benefit may be derived by a few patients threatened with consumption, provided their symptoms are marked by irritability and an excess of vascular action. Hypochondriacal and rheumatic and neuralgic patients ought especially to avoid Madeira. Should the invalid wish to spend a second winter in Madeira before returning home, a voyage may be taken to Teneriffe in June, and the stay prolonged there until the end of October.

**THE CANARY ISLANDS.**—This group (*Fortunatæ Insulæ*) consists of seven principal islands, and several islets. The climate differs from that of the foregoing in being warmer, drier, and less relaxing. At *Santa Cruz*, the capital of *Teneriffe*, (the only island possessing good accommodation for the valetudinarian), the mean annual temperature is 70·15°; that for winter being 64·85, spring 68·87, summer 76·63, and autumn 74·17.—*Orotava* and *Laguna* are sometimes preferred to *Santa Cruz*.

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#### 453. *Cape of Good Hope—Natal.*

**THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.**—The climate is mild and healthy but very dry. The seasons are the reverse of those in Europe; December and January being the warmest, while June and July are the coldest



months. The mean temperature for the winter months of 1850, at Cape Town, was 57° Fahr. The prevalent diseases appear to be rheumatism and dysentery. Invalids from India are often benefited by spending a season at the Cape or Natal.

**NATAL.**—This British Colony lies on the south-eastern border of Africa, about 800 miles from the Cape of Good Hope. There may be said to be only two seasons,—the summer from October to March, and the winter from the beginning of April to the end of September. Even in the latter, during the coldest months of 1858, the temperature was occasionally 78° Fahr. in the neighbourhood of Maritzburg; while in the hottest months it was occasionally below 60°. (*The Colony of Natal*. By Robert J. Mann, M.D., p. 48, London, 1860.) Notwithstanding its almost tropical position, and the frequent vicissitudes of temperature, Natal is very healthy. DR. MANN remarks that while 480 soldiers die yearly out of every 1000 stationed at Sierra Leone, 121 in 1000 at Jamaica, 78 in 1000 at the West Indies generally, 48 in 1000 in the Madras Presidency, 28 in 1000 at Bermuda, 27 in 1000 in the Mauritius, 25 in 1000 at St. Helena, 21 in 1000 at Gibraltar, 16 in 1000 at Malta and Canada, and 14 in every 1000 in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick,—only 13 in 1000 die yearly in the western districts of the Cape Colony, and only 9 in 1000 in the eastern district. During the Kafir war in 1835, not a single officer or man was invalided during the five months of active service. Newly arrived settlers in Natal remain for months under canvas, without the slightest injury.

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#### 454. *Canada—New Brunswick—Nova Scotia—Newfoundland.*

**CANADA.**—This British Colony of North America is divided by the Ottawa river into the provinces of Upper or West Canada (chief city, Toronto) and Lower or East Canada (chief city, Quebec). The climate is marked by extremes, the winter being excessively cold, while the summers are just as hot. The coldness of the winter is mitigated, however, by the dryness of the air and the absence of high winds; while the way in which the Canadian protects himself with thick furs, and his house by well-managed stoves, enables him to set the frost at defiance. A gentleman, resident in Canada for six years, told the Author that with the thermometer—20° he never felt the cold so raw and unpleasant, as in London at the beginning of January, 1864.—The climate is also much milder in Upper than Lower Canada; but that of both provinces is healthy and conducive to longevity.

**NEW BRUNSWICK.**—The climate of this portion of British North America resembles that of Canada; the winters being very severe and the summers excessively hot. The winter, however, is mitigated by the length and fineness of the autumn,—the “Indian summer.”

**NOVA SCOTIA.**—This peninsula of North America, forming part of the British colonial territory, is separated from New Brunswick by an isthmus 14 miles across. The climate is remarkable for vicissitudes of temperature, prolonged falls of rain, and occasional fogs. The inhabitants, nevertheless, are said to enjoy a remarkable degree of health.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—This island, lying off the coast of Labrador, is separated from the mainland by the Strait of Belleisle, which is 12 miles across. The surface of the island is mostly marshy, and the soil unfavourable to cultivation. The winters are less severe than in Upper Canada, but the summers are shorter. Dense fogs prevail along its banks, sometimes for the greater part of the summer. The annual mortality, however, scarcely exceeds 12 per 1000 of the population, so that the climate must be favourable to the constitution.

#### 455. *West Indian Islands.*

Invalids should not be sent to any of these islands; for though they are not as unhealthy as was formerly supposed, yet severe fevers and inflammatory diseases are common and run a rapid course. Moreover, the returns show that nearly twice as many cases of consumption originate among our troops stationed here as at home. If a man in search of health will visit them, however, he must only do so between the months of December and April, after the heavy autumnal rains. JAMAICA, the chief of the British possessions, is reputed the most healthy. The BAHAMAS are resorted to by American invalids. In the BERMUDAS and in BARBADOES dysentery, rheumatism, and yellow fever are the prevailing diseases.

#### 456. *Hill and Marine Sanitaria in India.*

The Indian *hill stations* offer a climate which is of great use to convalescents from fever, invalids from local cachexia, &c.; and which exerts a powerful influence in maintaining the health and vigour of Europeans—especially of such as have not been very long in India.

According to DR. W. J. MOORE, of the Bombay Medical Service, the climate of the hill ranges differs from that of the plains in having a mean temperature some 10° to 15° cooler, in being above the influence of the hot winds, and in being more humid during the monsoon season. Various localities differ in minor points: in the *Himalayas*, a greater elevation will procure a colder climate; the fall of rain has sometimes been excessive at *Mahableshwar*, at *Nymee Tal*, &c.; while at many of the hill stations sanitary laws are still too much disregarded, and too little care is taken to protect the system from the inclemencies of the weather.

The climate of the hill stations in the *Himalayas*, of *Mount Abo*, of *Ootacamund*, *Bangalore*, &c., as well as of *Matheran* and *Mahableshwar* in *Bombay*, is of great service to the European whose health has deteriorated from a residence on the Indian plains. The air invigorates both mind and body. But it is unsuitable where there is structural disease of any internal organ; diarrhoea and dysentery being increased by it, while affections of the brain and lungs and liver are much aggravated. Cholera, dysentery, and malarious fevers are less prevalent and fatal in the hill stations than in the plains below. Yet these affections are met with at high elevations; as are also cases of hepatitis, tuberculosis, typhus, croup, diphtheria, small-pox, rheumatism, neuralgia, severe catarrh, and hill-diarrhoea.—It has been well suggested that

European troops should be located more on the hills and less on the plains than is now the case; not waiting until they are weakened by disease, climate, and service to be sent to these more temperate and less malarious regions.

Many of the diseases which are aggravated by the hill-stations of India, are much benefited by the greater purity and uniformity of the *sea climates*. The invalid who has been prostrated by the harsh parching winds of the interior, not only has his bodily sufferings greatly ameliorated by the moist fresh breeze from the sea, but the mere sight of the ocean raises his powers by giving him hope and confidence. It is necessary to select an open spot, with high cliffs and a rocky shore; low, flat, sandy coasts being generally unhealthy in the tropics. The proximity of the island of *Martaban* to Madras and Calcutta, as well as its geological characteristics, have led DR. MACPHERSON to recommend it as a marine sanitarium.

The weak-chested, and those persons of a strumous habit predisposed to phthisis, are often greatly benefited by a residence in India; but where tubercle is deposited in the lungs, the climate seems to accelerate the progress of the disease. Individuals of a phlegmatic temperament who have more or less difficulty in digesting their food, and who possess a languid circulation, often improve very much in this country.

#### 457. *Australia—Tasmania—New Zealand.*

AUSTRALIA.—The immense extent of territory known as Australia, in the South Pacific Ocean, possesses a temperate climate which appears very favourable to the European constitution. In speaking of this antipodal region it is necessary to remember that the meteorological phenomena are generally the reverse of those experienced in this country. Thus the months of December, January, and February correspond to our summer, and have a mean temperature of about 80°; while those of June, July, and August constitute the winter, the thermometer marking on an average 40° in an exposed situation.

In May, 1836, the number of settlers in the district of *Victoria* (formerly Port Philip), was 177. At the end of a quarter of a century (April, 1861), the amount had increased to 540,322. The total area of *Victoria* (86,831 miles) is nearly as large as that of England, Scotland, and Wales united. *Melbourne*, the capital of *Victoria*, is the most prosperous commercial city of the southern world. The mean annual temperature is 57°; extreme cold in winter, and excessive heat in summer (except nine or ten times in the season, under the influence of hot winds), being unknown. Although the annual rainfall is 26 inches (that for London being 21·6), yet the average number of wet days is much less than in Great Britain; for in *Melbourne* the rain falls with great violence, but it only lasts a few hours, and then the sky clears. A continuance of cloudy weather is unknown. There is a genial sun; with a pure, dry, stimulating air.

DR. S. DOUGAN BIRD says (*Australasian Climates, and their Influence in Pulmonary Consumption*, p. 41, London, 1863), that the main characteristics of the Victorian climate are these:—"It is a temperate warm climate, whose average summer heat is but two or three degrees above that of London; while in winter it is warmer than Nice or Naples, and as warm as Valencia or Barcelona; and actual cold is never felt at, or

near, the sea level. The air is generally dry, always stimulating and ozoniferous; but so tempered by the prevalence of ocean winds, that it is prevented from becoming irritating, like that of Nice or Provence. With this there is a very large proportion of sunny cheerful weather during the whole year. In no climate with which I am acquainted is there so much pleasant weather during the year as in Victoria—so many unclouded days, when it is neither too hot nor too cold—and an invalid has, consequently, every temptation to be in the open air."

Tuberculosis (*i.e.*, scrofula, phthisis, tabes mesenterica, and tubercular meningitis) is rare in Victoria, the mortality not being one-fourth of that in Great Britain from the same cause. Yet the population is composed of those who, hereditarily, from occupation and mode of living (except that animal food is much cheaper), are as much predisposed to consumption as the inhabitants of London or Liverpool. It should be added that these statements have been controverted, and that phthisis has been shown to be more common than is here allowed, but there can be no doubt that the climate is exceptionally healthy.

At *Sydney* (the capital of New South Wales, East Australia) the mean annual temperature is about 65°. Heavy rains fall between June and September. Disease is said to assume a milder form here than in European countries. Dysentery and pulmonary affections are, however, not uncommon. The winters are colder than at Moreton Bay though this season is very salubrious and agreeable.

*Moreton Bay* (Queensland, East Australia) has a fine winter climate which proves very useful in advanced cases of phthisis, when combined with irritability of the system and a tendency to bronchial inflammation. The average temperature on the coast during the cold months is 62° or 63°; the air being soft and sedative, and the weather brilliant and sunny. A few miles inland the ground rises, and the air is more dry and bracing.

In cases of consumption with copious expectoration, and in the chronic bronchitis of old people, *Adelaide*, the chief city of South Australia, may be chosen as a residence. The air is dry, warm, and tonic; the winter temperature averaging 53°.

The invalid leaving England for Australia, will generally find the long uninterrupted voyage round the Cape of Good Hope, in a comfortable ship, much to be preferred to the more exciting and fatiguing "overland route," by way of Suez and Galle. The best time for leaving this country is from the middle or October to the end of November; when the new home will be reached in about 90 days from Liverpool. Thus, supposing the traveller to arrive about the end of January, he will find a pale-blue cloudless sky, and the thermometer at 90° in the middle of the day without any unpleasant sense of heat. With a feeling of new life, general exhilaration, and a good appetite, he will experience a desire to be at work. The difficulty seems to be to persuade the phthisical that they are not cured; and that the general rules of hygiene must be adopted, and all excesses avoided, to prevent the pulmonary mischief again starting into activity, or to escape hepatic congestion, or that he may obtain and retain health and vigour.

**TASMANIA.**—This island (known as Van Diemen's Land, until the abandonment of transportation in 1852) is separated from the southernmost point of Australia by Bass's Strait. The chief towns are *Hobart Town* in the south, and *Launceston* in the north; the climate of both being salubrious and delightful, and highly conducive to longevity. The latter port is reached in twenty-four hours, by steamer from

Melbourne, and is beneficial to such cases as are usually sent to Pau. The air is moist, sedative, and equable. In the winter months of June, July, and August there is never great cold during the day. The mean annual temperature of Hobart Town is 52°. Tasmania is described as "the Garden of Australia."

NEW ZEALAND.—This group in the South Pacific Ocean, consists of two principal (the North and Middle) and several smaller islands. The chief British settlements are *Auckland*, *New Plymouth*, or *Tarauki*, *Hawkes Bay*, and *Wellington* in the North Island; with *Nelson*, *Mari-borough*, *Canterbury*, and *Otago* in the Middle Island. The temperature of New Zealand is marked by its uniformity. The mean of the warmest month at Auckland is 68°, and of the coldest at Otago 42°. The climate, which in general terms may be described as mild and soft, appears to be favourable to the European constitution.

## XXI. MINERAL WATERS.

### 458. *General Observations.*

Mineral waters have been used in medical practice since the days when *ÆSCULAPIUS* was worshipped throughout Greece, and when his temples were erected in healthy places, near wells which were believed to have healing powers. Like many other important remedies, their virtues have been regarded with singular scepticism at one time, and with blind credulity at another. The practitioner in the present day wisely attempts to keep the middle course; neither over-estimating, nor unduly depreciating, the value of these agents in subduing disease.

A mineral water is merely a complicated medicine, containing various salts and gases blended together. The ingredients are generally derived from the soil or rocks through which the waters pass; and they consist especially of chloride of sodium, sulphate and carbonate of soda, sulphate and carbonate of magnesia, some salt of iron, carbonate of iron, bromine and iodine, organic matters (*barègine*), and more or less of a free gas (sulphuretted hydrogen, carbonic acid, nitrogen, or oxygen). The cause of the temperature of hot springs is a mystery; and philosophers know not whether it is due to the internal heat of the globe, to electricity, to chemical decomposition, or to volcanic agency. The heat is generally much under that of boiling water, and in most springs it is found to have varied but little during a long succession of years. The only waters which have a temperature as high as 212° Fahr., are the geysers or hot springs of Iceland.

Mineral waters are administered internally and applied externally. They act chiefly by diluting and purifying the blood; increasing the processes of secretion and excretion, so that morbid matters are eliminated from the system. They likewise stimulate the cutaneous and visceral circulation. It cannot be doubted that these effects are in some measure due to the chemical composition and temperature of the waters; though it is allowed on all hands that the beneficial influence is largely aided by the locality of the spring, the nature of the climate, the absence of business and care, the diet, and the general regimen.

Mineral waters are useful only in chronic disorders, where there is

but little, if any, structural change; or in cases where disease threatened. Hence the sufferers sent to the Spas are for the most part affected with skin affections, strumous and other rebellious ulcers, stiffness of joints and limbs from old sprains, &c.; chronic gout, rheumatism, sciatica, or neuralgia; gastric, hepatic, or renal disorders, sluggish action of the intestines, particularly of the colon and rectum; paralytic affections, where all active disease has been subdued; hysteria, hypochondriasis; or with certain functional disorders of the uterine system. Nothing but mischief can arise where there is either active disease, tuberculosis, cancer, fatty degeneration of any important structure, aneurism, or mischief about the heart or large vessels. Where there is any predisposition to cerebral, pulmonary, gastric, or intestinal hæmorrhage all thermal mineral waters (especially in the form of bath) are contra-indicated. The young and the very aged, moreover, can derive little or no benefit: and in pregnancy the use of the springs, say the least, demands great caution.

The time for residing at some of the Spas is from the beginning of May until about the close of September; but at several of the foreign ones it is only from June until the end of August. At a few of the local springs, invalids (chiefly the gouty) remain through the winter. The treatment, however, is not commonly to be prolonged beyond six or eight weeks; and often three or four will suffice. The invalid should not be led to expect immediate relief. And he should be cautious against the popular idea that the benefit derived will be in proportion to the quantity of water taken; while it may be as well to let him know that "critical eruptions" (*psudra thermalis*), and "critical flux" are neither necessary nor advantageous. As a rule, bathing and drinking ought not to be commenced on the same day; and at first only a moderate quantity of the water should be taken,—two or three ordinary glasses before breakfast, and one or two in the evening. At a time, a glassful may also be taken before dinner. Very hot water should be cooled, and very cold to be warmed, before drinking.

When the strength will permit of it, early rising (at about six o'clock) is to be recommended, so that the doses may be taken before breakfast. The contents of the tumbler are to be sipped slowly and methodically, not hastily swallowed like a nauseous draught; and an interval of fifteen minutes, at least, should be allowed between each glass, which time may well be spent in a short walk. An hour after the last glass, a light breakfast is to be taken. Then, a gentle saunter, the bath, reading, writing letters, &c., will agreeably occupy the hours till the early dinner at which fruit and raw vegetables had better be avoided, while a moderate quantity of light wine, or of mild bitter beer, can be permitted. An excursion to the objects of interest in the neighbourhood, perhaps one or two more glasses of water—never more than half the quantity taken in the morning—a light supper at 8 o'clock, and bed two hours afterwards will complete the day's work.

Mineral waters are sometimes classified into the thermal or hot, and the cold springs. But a more useful division is into chalybeate, sulphurous, gaseous or acidulous, saline, iodo-bromated, and muriated mineral waters.

*Class 1. Chalybeate or Ferruginous Waters.*—A large number of waters contain small quantities of iron, but none are considered as belonging to this class unless the proportion of metal is considerable. The chief acidulous chalybeates (those which contain much carbonic acid gas) are the waters of Schwalbach, Spa, Pyrmont, Brückenau, the Cambray well

Cheltenham, and Tunbridge Wells. The principal saline acidulous chalybeates (such as, in addition to iron and carbonic acid, have a certain amount of sulphate and carbonate of soda, with chloride of sodium) are the springs of Franzensbad, Bocklet, Harrogate, &c.—Chalybeate waters are useful in anæmia, and in functional disorders of the generative organs.

*Class 2. Sulphurous Waters.*—They have the odour of rotten eggs, owing to their impregnation with sulphuretted hydrogen. The chief sulphurous thermals are those of Aix-la-Chapelle, Baden near Vienna, Aix-les-Bains, Barèges, Bagnères de Luchon, St. Sauveur, Cauterets, Eaux-Bonnes, and Eaux-Chaudes: the higher the temperature, the more stimulating the effect of the water on the nervous and vascular and cutaneous systems. Amongst the cold sulphurous springs may be mentioned Harrogate and Bocklet.—Sulphurous waters are recommended in cutaneous, hepatic, uterine, rheumatic, gouty, neuralgic, and old constitutional syphilitic diseases. In chronic poisoning by mercury, lead, or copper they help to eliminate the injurious mineral. The excretion of carbonic acid by the lungs and skin, as well as of urea and uric acid by the kidneys, is probably increased by these waters.

*Class 3. Gaseous or Acidulous Waters.*—The carbonic acid gas gives these waters a sharp acidulous taste, with a sparkling appearance. The most important are the thermal springs of Vichy, and the cold of Fachingen and Bilin. The refreshing and exhilarating waters of this class are recommended in dyspepsia, hepatic derangement, gout and rheumatism, &c.

*Class 4. Saline Waters.*—Those which are purgative and have sulphate of soda or sulphate of magnesia as their chief ingredients, are Epsom, Cheltenham, Leamington, Seidlitz, Friedrichshall, Hunyadi-Janos, Püllna, Carlsbad, and Marienbad. They are useful in habitual constipation, torpidity of the liver, inactivity of the abdominal viscera generally, chronic rheumatism, sciatica, and perhaps in diabetes (Carlsbad especially). Those saline waters which have chloride of sodium as their characteristic ingredient, are Wiesbaden, Baden-Baden, Homburg, Kissingen, &c. They are employed in cases of scrofula, rheumatism, dyspepsia from overwork, and irregularity of the bowels. The sulphate or carbonate of lime, or both, predominate in the thermal waters of Bath and Buxton; while the carbonate or bicarbonate of soda is the characteristic ingredient of the thermal springs at Ems, Teplitz, &c.

*Class 5. Iodo-bromated Waters.*—The springs at Kreuznach are the most celebrated of this class; while in England there is the Woodhall Spa. The waters are used in all forms of scrofula, in many chronic skin diseases, in uterine tumours, and in old-standing constitutional syphilis.

*Class 6. Muriated Lithia Waters.*—The springs of Baden-Baden have considerable reputation for the cure of gout and the uric acid diathesis, owing to the chloride of lithium which they contain.

#### 459. Tunbridge Wells, in Kent and Sussex.

This town is more visited on account of its dry bracing air, beautiful varied scenery, and fine walks, than for its chalybeate Spa. The water of the latter has a temperature of 50°, is feebly ferruginous to the taste, contains about a quarter of a grain of *oxide of iron* to the pint, and has just sufficient *carbonic acid* to hold the metal in solution. Frequently, increased doses of steel are given with the water; or sulphate of mag-

nesia may be added, if an aperient be needed. The chief value of the spring is witnessed in cases of anæmia and chlorosis, debility and dyspepsia, and in general lassitude from a too sedentary mode of

#### 460. Bath, in Somersetshire.

The thermal mineral springs, situated in the southern part of the town, near the Abbey church, are four in number. The temperature of the waters varies from 120° Fahr. to 104°. Speaking generally, the solid contents are about ten grains to the pint. The chief constituents are *sulphate of lime, sulphate of soda, chloride of sodium, chloride of calcium, carbonate of lime, silicic acid*, and a comparatively small portion of *iron*. The gases evolved consist of *nitrogen* in large quantity, *oxygen* and *carbonic acid*.

The sparkling appearance of the waters at the springs is due to *carbonic acid* they contain. The quantity generally drunk is from a quarter to one pint before breakfast, and again in the afternoon. Taken quietly and leisurely the effect is usually to raise the temperature of the body, to quicken the circulation, to increase the appetite, and to promote the salivary and renal secretions. When headache, loss of appetite, nausea, mental depression, and a diminished flow of urine follow the use, they should either be discontinued or taken in very small doses.

The accommodation for bathing is excellent; there being good dressing-rooms, shower, vapour, reclining, swimming, and chair baths. By the aid of a crane, a helpless invalid is lowered into, and raised out of, the water. The bath is to be taken three or four times a week, near the meal times, and the patient should remain in it from ten to fifteen minutes. The proper temperature is 96° to 98° Fahr.

The spring and autumn are the best seasons for taking the bath waters, though they may be advantageously employed in the winter for the diseases which are most benefited by them are subacute gout, chronic rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, lumbago, rheumatoid arthritis, contracted or rigid joints, dyspepsia, paralysis from rheumatism or mercury poisoning, leucorrhœa, chorea, anæmia, lepra, eczema, and psoriasis.

#### 461. Cheltenham, in Gloucestershire.

Since the cure of George the Third by the waters of the Royal Wells, this Spa has been a fashionable resort. Situated 8 miles from Gloucester, Cheltenham offers an agreeable permanent residence, particularly for valetudinarians from the East or West Indies. The climate in winter is mild and equable, but rather moist. The town is sheltered by the Cotswold and other hills from the north and east winds. The bathing season lasts from about the middle of April to the beginning of October.

The waters are chiefly taken internally. There are several cold springs, all of them powerfully saline except the Cambray chalybeate. The waters of the ROYAL OLD WELLS contain chiefly *chloride of sodium, chloride of calcium, chloride of magnesium, and sulphate of soda*. They are but slightly gaseous. Some of the wells of the MONTPELLIER SPA have, in addition to the foregoing, a little *oxide of iron*, and *ioduretted magnesium saline*. There is an unusual amount of *silica* in the PITTVILLE saline; the CAMBRAY spring is strongly *chalybeate*. The Montpellier baths afford accommodation for warm and cold bathing, swimming, medicinal vapour and vapour douches, &c.

These springs enjoy considerable reputation for relieving the diseases engendered by a residence in tropical climates, and hence may



Indians with liver affections resort to them. They are also useful in gouty and rheumatic disorders, in the lithic-acid diathesis, in plethoric and irritable systems, in skin diseases, in dyspepsia with torpidity of the bowels, as well as in some forms of amenorrhœa and chlorosis. The dose is usually from half a pint to one pint before breakfast; it is better to take the water pure, without the addition of any "solution" of the crystallized salts; and it may be warmed if a more than ordinary aperient effect is needed. The spring to be recommended must depend upon whether a simply alterative, or an alterative and tonic remedy be indicated.

#### 462. *Purton and Melksham, in Wiltshire.*

The healthy village of PURTON in North Wilts,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles W.N.W. of Swindon, has a dry bracing air. The Spa is  $2\frac{1}{4}$  miles from the village, in a field known as Salt's Hole, where a pump-room was erected in 1859 for the accommodation of visitors. An analysis of the waters shows that it is rich in *sulphate of soda*, *sulphate of magnesia*, *sulphate of lime*, *carbonate of potash*, and *chloride of sodium*. There are also small quantities of *sulphate of potash*, *silica*, *iodide of sodium*, and *bromide of magnesium*; with traces of *iron*, *phosphoric acid*, and *sulphuretted hydrogen*. There is a large amount of free *carbonic acid gas*; and the temperature is  $58-50^{\circ}$ .

The Purton sulphated and bromo-iodated saline water can be recommended where an alterative stimulant is needed. It seems to have been useful in strumous sores and enlarged glands, threatened consumption, stomach and liver disorders, gouty and rheumatic affections, obstinate skin diseases, as well as in functional derangements of the uterine system. The dose is from half a pint to a pint before breakfast, with half a pint in the evening.

The small town of MELKSHAM lies 10 miles E.S.E. of Bath, in a fine open country. In its vicinity are baths and a pump-room erected over the chalybeate and saline springs. The chief constituents of the waters are the salts of *lime* and *magnesia*, with smaller portions of *soda* and *iron*; and they are artificially charged with gas for exportation. In strumous, rheumatic, and cutaneous diseases, the medicated vapour and douche baths may be employed simultaneously with the internal use of the waters.

#### 463. *Leamington, in Warwickshire.*

Being less protected by hills than Cheltenham, the town of Leamington,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  miles E. of Warwick, has a lower temperature. The climate, however, is genial and bracing, but humid; while it is agreeable and healthy to the flagging invalid during the autumn and winter months.

The springs all lie near the banks of the Leam; their principal salts being,—*chloride of sodium*, *sulphate of soda*, *chloride of calcium*, and *chloride of magnesium*. The chief gas is *carbonic acid*, with great quantities of *nitrogen* and *oxygen*. The most ancient and most used of the springs is the OLD WELL. The water at GOOLD'S SPRING AND BATHS contains more *chloride of sodium*, while CURTIS'S WELL has more *chloride of magnesium* than the others. The VICTORIA WELL AND PUMP-ROOM possesses a weak *sulphurous* and a *saline chalybeate* spring; and so does LEE'S WELL.

The temperature of Leamington waters is about  $48^{\circ}$  Fahr.; and their action is aperient and alterative. They are suitable for the same class

of cases as is sent to the Cheltenham springs; but being more active they agree better with invalids of a torpid habit, than with those of susceptible irritable temperament.

#### 464. *Buxton, in Derbyshire.*

For invalids requiring mountain air Buxton may be recommended. Situated 81 miles W.N.W. of Derby, at an elevation of 900 feet, where some of the neighbouring hills are 2,000 feet above the sea, it enjoys pure bracing air. Like all mountain districts the climate of Buxton is subject to sudden variations of temperature. The rainfall is rather great; but owing to the absorbent nature of the soil the ground rapidly dries. The season is chiefly from June to October; the winds being sharp and cold late in the autumn, during winter, and early in the spring. Buxton is not to be selected where there is a tendency to internal hæmorrhage.

The Buxton waters issue abundantly from several crevices in the limestone rock at a temperature of 82° Fahr. The chief saline salts, they are, *carbonate of lime, carbonate of magnesia, chloride of sodium, and calcium and potassium, with silica, carbonate of protoxide of iron, and traces of fluoride of calcium and phosphate of lime*: though so small the quantity, that, in the whole, they only amount to 18·434 grains in the imperial gallon. In the same amount of water DR. PLAYFAIR found (1852) *nitrogen gas* 206 cubic inches, and *carbonic acid gas* 15·66 cubic inches. According to a more recent analysis by DR. SHERIDAN MUSPRATT (1860) the quantity of *nitrogen gas*, at the moment of issue is no less than 504 cubic inches per gallon.—As these waters, mixed with their gases, have only the composition of ordinary spring water, the stimulating effects are generally attributed to the nitrogen. They are, however, chiefly used externally; the accommodation for plunging, swimming, and douche baths being excellent. The good which results from the latter is most marked in cases of gout and rheumatism, in severe sprains and old muscular contractions, as well as in cases where it is wished to stimulate the vascular or nervous or digestive systems.

A pleasant drive from Buxton is to the picturesque village of MATLOCK built on the slope of a hill, at the base of which flows the Derwent. It is an agreeable summer residence, and its springs supply large tepid baths. The water, however, has no medicinal properties, though the guide books usually describe Matlock as a valuable Spa.

#### 465. *Woodhall, in Lincolnshire.*

This strong saline spring arises in a plain 3 miles W.S.W. of Houghton castle, and contains more *iodine* and *bromine* than any other English water. It has also 189 grains of *chloride of sodium* in the pint, with little *chloride of calcium* and *magnesium, bicarbonate of soda, and sulphate of soda*. The temperature is 55°. The water is chiefly used externally in rheumatic and cutaneous affections, and in scrofula. Taken internally half a pint acts as a mild aperient.

#### 466. *Harrogate, in Yorkshire.*

High and Low Harrogate, half a mile distant from each other, and 10 miles W. of York, are filled with visitors during the season—from June until the middle of October. The air is pure and bracing, and

somewhat humid. The soil is sandy, so that the walks are soon dry even after heavy rain. Low Harrogate is the most sheltered. The most elevated part of High Harrogate is 596 feet above the sea.

There are upwards of fifty different springs, some of which have been in repute since the end of the 17th century. The waters are all cold, being generally warmed artificially before they are drunk. DR. KENNION divides the springs into four distinct groups:—(1) The strong sulphurous waters. (2) The mild sulphurous waters with alkaline impregnations. (3) The saline chalybeate waters. And (4) the pure chalybeate waters.

1. **STRONG SULPHUROUS SPRINGS.**—As types of this class may be mentioned the old Sulphur Well in the Royal Pump Room, and the strong Montpelier Sulphur Well in the Montpelier Gardens. They are both impregnated with *Sulphuretted hydrogen gas* (upwards of 25 cubic inches in the gallon); their chief salts being *chlorides of sodium and calcium* and *potassium and magnesium, sulphide of sodium and carbonate of lime*, with traces of *bromide of sodium, iodide of sodium, &c.* The waters are alterative, aperient, stimulant, and diuretic: they are taken internally, and used as baths. The dose varies from half a pint to a pint and a half, in three or four divided quantities, before breakfast.

2. **MILD SULPHUROUS SPRINGS WITH ALKALINE IMPREGNATIONS.**—The two most important are the mild Montpelier Well, and the spring at the Victoria Gardens. They contain much less *sulphuretted hydrogen*, less *chloride of sodium*, and less *chloride of magnesium* than those of the preceding group: but they have in addition *carbonate of magnesia*. They are antacid, alterative, diuretic and deobstruent; and are used externally as well as internally.

3. **SALINE CHALYBEATE WATERS.**—One of these springs is in the Cheltenham Pump Room, the other in the Montpelier Gardens. In addition to the salts already mentioned they contain *carbonate of iron*, so that they have a tonic action superadded to their other properties.

4. **PURE CHALYBEATE WATER.**—The springs of the Tewit and St. John's Well have almost the composition of pure water, with the addition of a small quantity of *carbonate of iron*.

Invalids with all forms of chronic disease visit Harrogate to drink the waters. But the cases most likely to derive benefit are the following:—Imperfect digestion in men too fond of good living, where the bowels and liver are inactive; habitual constipation; obesity; indurations and chronic swellings of the glands, joints, &c. (the strong sulphur springs); chronic skin diseases, such as eczema, lepra, impetigo, acne, pityriasis, lichen, &c. (the sulphur, beginning with the mild); gout and rheumatic affections (the strong sulphur); threatened phthisis, especially in young women with disordered menstruation (the mild sulphur, alternately with pure chalybeate); strumous affections (the saline chalybeate); and lupus, constitutional syphilis, chronic ulcers, &c. Very frequently great advantage is derived from the external use of the strong sulphur waters, combined with the internal administration of the chalybeate.

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#### 467. *Spa, in Belgium.*

Situated near the frontier of Rhenish Prussia, in the beautiful valley of the Ardennes, at the foot of a steep mountain sheltering it from the north winds, is Spa. It possesses the only important mineral springs

found in Belgium. The waters of the principal well—the Pouhon—have a temperature of 50° Fahr., and are largely charged with carbonic acid; the chief solid constituents being the *bicarbonate of soda*, *iron*, *lime*, and *magnesia*. Spa is rather more than 1000 feet above the sea level.

The wells of the Sauveniere, Groesbeck, Geronstere, and the three Tonnerets are situated at short distances from the town. Their waters are similar to those of the Pouhon, but the proportion of iron is smaller. The Tonnelet springs are the most gaseous. The water of the last discovered spring, the Barisart, has a temperature of 52°, contains more carbonic acid than the Pouhon, and less iron. It sometimes proves useful when the Pouhon disagrees. This spring is much frequented.

These gaseous chalybeate waters are employed, to the extent of two or three pints daily, commencing with a couple of glasses before breakfast. They impart power, strengthen the digestion, and are valuable in such cachectic and other diseases as require a ferruginous tonic. The season is from the commencement of May until the end of September. During the early part of October the weather is often wet and cold.

CHAUDFONTAINE, in the valley of the Vesdre, has a thermal mineral spring which is used for bathing by sufferers from chronic rheumatism, neuralgia, irritability of the nervous system, &c. The temperature of the water is 92° Fahr. The solid contents are scarcely more than two grains in the pint, and consist of *chloride of sodium* and *carbonate of lime*. The surrounding country is very pretty; while there is much to be seen of great interest in the neighbouring manufacturing town of Liege—five miles distant.

#### 468. *Bagnères de Bigorres, in the Pyrenees.*

This celebrated watering-place (1850 feet above the sea) is situated at the foot of the Pyrenees, on the left bank of the Adour, about 35 miles to the south-east of Pau. The season commences in June and ends about the middle of October.

The springs in Bagnères and its neighbourhood are numerous, and may be divided into three classes:—1. **THE SALINE.** The temperature of these waters varies from 124° to 85° Fahr.; the chief chemical products found in them being *carbonic acid*, *chlorides of magnesium* and *sodium*, *sulphates of lime* and *soda*, and *magnesia*, *subcarbonates of lime* and *magnesia* and *iron*, an infinitesimal proportion of *arsenic*, with *resinous and vegetable extractive matter*, and *silica*. 2. **THE FERRUGINOUS.** There is only one spring of this kind, properly so called—la Fontaine Ferrugineuse. 3. **THE SULPHUROUS.** Only one sulphurous spring has much reputation—that of Labassère: and its waters contain a minute quantity of *carbonic acid*, *hydrosulphuric acid*, *chloride of sodium*, *hydro-sulphate of soda*, *subcarbonate of soda*, *vegeto-animal matter*, and *silica*.

The general effect of the waters, taken internally and used as baths, is that of a stimulant to the mucous membranes, kidneys, lymphatic system, and skin. They are useful, more particularly, in diseases of the bones and articulations: in chronic rheumatism, and allied disorders, as neuralgia, sciatica, &c., in atonic dyspepsia, from over mental work: and in nervous affections,—hysteria, palpitations, hypochondriasis,

gastrodynia, &c., especially if there be biliary derangements. The Labassère waters are beneficial in cases of excessive secretion from the mucous canals, in many skin diseases, and in some morbid states of the abdominal viscera. In anæmic conditions, valuable effects result from the employment of the ferruginous spring.—Patients who have been benefited by Pau during the winter may advantageously proceed to Bagnères for the summer.

When the saline waters are taken for their alterative effects, the daily dose is small—about a pint; but if a purgative action is needed, from one to two quarts, in divided quantities, should be drunk daily.

#### 469. Capbern, in the Pyrenees.

Situated about ten miles from Bagnères de Bigorres, the waters of Capbern are of a saline character, like most of those in that neighbourhood. Their chief constituents are *carbonic acid gas, sulphates of lime and magnesia, with carbonate of lime*. One authority says that they also contain *carbonate of lime*, while another asserts that there is not a trace of it. They are deemed useful in congestions of internal organs, and are supposed to have warded off apoplectic seizures, when the cerebral circulation has been sluggish; they stimulate the uterus and ovaries, and have been said to cure sterility: while many cases of chlorosis, leucorrhœa, dysmenorrhœa, &c., seem to have been benefited by them. The dose is from four to six tumblers, early in the morning, taking exercise between each glass. At the same time reclining or douche baths are employed.

#### 470. Barèges, in the Pyrenees.

This village, on the Gave de Bastan, 47 miles from Pau, is about 4,000 feet above the sea.—The season lasts from the beginning of June to the middle of September.

The well-known sulphurous and stimulating waters of Barèges, are of three kinds, as regards temperature—viz., the *hot source*, the *temperate*, and the *tepid*. The principal baths are, the BAIN DE L'ENTREE, 107° Fahr.; BAIN DU FOND, 98°; BAIN DE POLARD, 101°; and BAIN DE LA CHAPELLE, 84°. The waters of all are limpid, have an oily nauseous flavour, and exhale an odour of rotten eggs. They contain *nitrogen, sulphuret of sodium, sulphate of soda, chloride of sodium, silica, lime, &c.* On their surface is found a thin gelatinous kind of pellicle called *barégine* or *glairine*, or *zoogene*; which is probably of a vegetable character, is emollient and softening, and is supposed to have some peculiar power in curing chronic rheumatism.

These waters are beneficial in inveterate squamous, pustular, and papular skin affections; in some forms of scrofula; in chronic rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago, and stiffness of the muscles or tendons; in strumous and other indolent ill-conditioned ulcers; and in irritation from the presence of carious or necrosed bone. For healing sinuses left by old gunshot wounds they are considered particularly efficacious. Pulmonary cases derive more benefit from Eaux-Bonnes and Cauterets. Moreover, the waters of Barèges are not to be prescribed when there is any tendency to inflammatory disorders, or in heart disease, or for irritable nervous temperaments. They are more powerful and stimulating than the waters of St. Sauveur.

The waters are taken internally, as well as employed in the form of baths, douches, lotions, and injections.

471. *St. Sauveur, in the Pyrenees.*

Situated on the Gave de Pau, in the valley of Laverdan, this place (2,500 feet above the sea) is 44 miles from Pau, 4 from and 1 from Luz. The still Alpine air is mild, and yet bracing season is from May until October,

The waters are milder than those of Barèges, but have the constituents. Their temperature varies from  $135^{\circ}$  to  $80^{\circ}$  Fahr. useful for women and children, in the same disorders as at Barèges. Hysteria, neuralgia, hypochondriasis, leucorrhœa, irregularities of the catamenial flow, are much benefited. When taken internally they have to be diluted, their greasy nature from the excess of barégine, being so great. They are most useful in reclining and douche baths, vaginal injections, &c.

472. *Bagnères de Luchon, in the Pyrenees.*

This little town, in a magnificent valley surrounded by mountains, is 85 miles from Pau, and 2,000 feet above the sea. The best time to visit is from June to the beginning of October. The arrangements for drinking the waters are all good.

There are upwards of 48 thermal sulphurous springs, the temperature of the waters varying from  $152^{\circ}$  to  $62^{\circ}$  F. Their chief constituents are sulphuret of sodium, chloride of sodium, silicate of lime, and siliceous earth, with traces of the sulphurets of iron and manganese, iodide of sodium, potassium and soda, and sulphite of soda, &c. The waters are efficacious in chronic skin diseases, in stiffness of limbs after dislocations and fractures, in old ulcers, chronic bronchitis, rheumatism, and neuralgia; in some cases of torpid digestion, anæmia, hypochondriasis, hysteria. Their effects are injurious when there is a tendency to plethoric nervous irritability. They are drunk, in doses of three or four ounces pure or mixed with milk; and are used as baths, injections, lotions, washes, &c.

473. *Cauterets, in the Pyrenees.*

This celebrated watering-place, imbedded among the mountains in the valley of Laverdan, 3,200 feet above the level of the sea, is more sheltered than Barèges, is much frequented by Spanish invalids, and June and August are the best months, but September is also good. There are some 32 sulphuretted saline springs, the temperature of the waters being  $122^{\circ}$  Fahr.

Some of the waters are very stimulating, causing headache and feverishness. They contain nitrogen, sulphuret of sodium, soda, chloride of sodium, silica, &c. Glairine or barégine, a gelatinous substance (see F. 470), is also present. They are used where there is any tendency to inflammatory affection. The cases most benefited by drinking the waters are chronic derangements of digestive organs, chronic rheumatism and rheumatoid chronic skin diseases, uterine congestions or irritations, leucorrhœa, catarrh, the early stages of phthisis, and strumous affection. The waters are often taken diluted with milk.

The baths are especially valuable in rheumatic affections, and obstinate skin diseases.

474. *Eaux-Bonnes, in the Pyrenees.*

Eaux-Bonnes, a village in a sheltered valley at the foot of the Pic de Gers, is 22 miles from Pau. The air is remarkably pure and fresh. The altitude above the sea level is 2,400 feet. The active mineral waters, of which the supply is scanty, have been deemed efficacious in the early stages of tubercular and other chronic diseases of the respiratory organs. They are likewise useful in scrofula generally, in chlorosis, in dyspepsia from want of tone, and in amenorrhœa. The springs are slightly alkaline, and contain *chloride of sodium, sulphates of lime, and soda, iodide of sodium, &c.* Their temperature is about 90° Fahr. The sulphurous waters are mildly stimulating; and are taken internally, and less frequently applied in the form of baths. In the commencement only small doses (three ounces) should be taken, the quantity being gradually increased to three or four glasses of six ounces each. While undergoing treatment the patient is encouraged to live as much in the open air as his symptoms will permit. A residence of about a month, for one or two seasons (the season lasts from June to the middle of September) is generally deemed sufficient. Afterwards a trip to Biarritz, for the enjoyment of sea bathing, may often be taken with advantage.

475. *Eaux-Chaudes, Pyrenees.*

The position of this village, hemmed in by precipitous limestone cliffs, is wild and secluded. It lies about 26 miles from Pau, and 4 from Eaux-Bonnes. The season lasts from the beginning of July until October.

Of the six springs some are used for baths, others as internal remedies. The hottest source is LE CLOT (96°); while L'ESQUIRETTE has the largest amount of salts. The waters contain *sulphuret of sodium, sulphate of lime, and silica*. They deposit *sulphurairé*, a conservoid growth. The taste of the waters is disagreeable, the smell of rotten eggs being powerful.

The waters (two to six glasses early in the morning) and baths are useful in rheumatism and sciatica, in neuralgia, in threatened pulmonary disease, in scrofula, and in atonic dyspepsia.

476. *Ussat, in the Pyrenees.*

The mineral baths of Ussat, in the Department of the Ariège, are 70 miles from Toulouse, the inhabitants of which city value them highly. They contain about 11 grains of solids to the pint,—chiefly *sulphates and carbonates of lime and magnesia, and chloride of sodium*, with traces of *arsenic*. The waters belong to the acidulous thermal class; are not at all unpleasant; are soothing to the nervous system; and hence prove useful in hypochondriasis, hysteria, chorea, paralysis agitans, neuralgia, cramp, muscular pains, dysmenorrhœa, irritable conditions of uterus, &c. Though sometimes taken internally, they are chiefly used as baths. The season lasts from June to October.

477. *Vernet les Bains, in the Eastern Pyrenees.*

The little village of Vernet, 16 miles from Perpignan, is placed in a deep well-sheltered valley. The waters belong to the thermal sulphurous class, but are only feebly charged with solids—amongst others with *sulphuret of sodium*.

Where a long course of weak sulphur waters is needed, these baths may be resorted to in the winter as well as in the summer months. Sunny walks may be had on most days in winter, the climate being mild and equable. The waters are taken internally, and employed as warm and vapour baths; and this combination of drinking and bathing is thought efficacious in chronic chest affections.

#### 478. Panticosta, in Arragon.

This remarkable Spanish watering-place, 56 miles from Pau, is situated at a level of 5,800 feet above the sea. It is romantically placed in one of the little green valleys of the Pyrenees; being surrounded by the lofty granite mountains, except at one part through which flows the river Caldarés. There are four springs; two being saline, one sulphurous, and one ferruginous. The chief source is the FUENTE DEL HIGADO, which contains *nitrogen* in large quantity, with feeble proportions of *sulphate of soda*, *chloride of sodium*, *carbonate of lime*, *chloride of magnesium*, and *silica*. Its waters are agreeable, have a temperature of 81° F., and numerous gas bubbles (owing to its free nitrogen) escape with it.

The waters taken internally increase the secretions of the liver and kidneys and skin; produce a sedative effect on the system; increase the appetite and general powers; and in pulmonary cases, relieve the cough. They are particularly recommended in laryngeal phthisis, in hæmorrhage from lungs or stomach, or uterus, and in chronic irritation of the bronchial or intestinal mucous membranes. Where there is softened tubercle, or much debility of system, they do harm. The best part of the season is from the beginning of July to the end of August.

#### 479. Vichy, in Central France.

This important alkaline thermal bath is situated on the right bank of the Allier, in a large open valley, surrounded by hills covered with vineyards. The altitude is 780 feet. The air is temperate and pure. The season lasts from the middle of May until the same time in September.

The springs used at Vichy for drinking and bathing are nine in number; the waters of all being limpid, and having somewhat the taste of soda water. *Bicarbonate of soda* and *carbonic acid gas* form the predominating ingredients; but they also contain small quantities of the *bicarbonates of potash* and *magnesia*, with the *arseniate of soda*. There is also some *barégine*, most abundant at the Source de l'Hôpital. The proportion of chief chemical components, in the sources generally resorted to, is shown in the following table:—

		Grs.		Grs.
Grande Grille .....	107° 8' F.	Bicarb. soda, 37.50	Carb. acid gas, {	6.97 to each 16 oz.
Puits-Chomel .....	109° 6"	" 39.00	"	5.91 "
Fontaine de l'Hôpital..	89°	" 38.60	"	8.21 "
Fontaine des Célestins.	58° 6"	" 39.19	"	8.04 "
Grand Puits Carré .....	110° 5"	" 37.57	"	6.71 "
Puits d'Hauterive .....	59°	" 38.99	"	7.92 "



Wherever the use of strongly alkaline waters is indicated, those of Vichy will prove useful. They may be taken internally, or employed as baths; or used in both ways at the same time. The diseases which derive most benefit are,—pulmonary catarrh, debility and irritability of the digestive organs; chronic enlargement of the liver and spleen; uric acid gravel and calculi; vesical catarrh; chronic gout and rheumatism; diabetes; and some cases of albuminuria. Obesity has been lessened by these waters; and they might be employed with advantage where the blood contains an excess of fibrin.—The dose is from half a pint to two pints daily; but they must not be continued too long, lest a super-alkaline condition of the blood be induced. The spring of the Grande Grille is in most repute, and is especially useful in liver diseases; while that of the Célestins is best for disorders of the urinary organs, as well as in the uric-acid diathesis. The Hospital spring is in favour for chronic gastro-enteritis.

The Vichy waters are exported in considerable quantities, and it is supposed without their undergoing any deterioration.

VALS possesses several springs, all alkaline from the presence of *bicarbonate of soda*, but slightly differing in the proportion of the saline constituents. The ST. JEAN is the weakest, and is useful chiefly in dyspepsia. The PRECIEUSE and DESIRÉE are more alkaline and slightly laxative; they are employed in gouty and renal affections. The MADELEINE and RIGOLETTE contain a small proportion of *iron*, and are considered to be invigorating.

#### 480. *Mont d'Or, in Central France.*

At this bath there are six thermal sources and one cold spring. The water of the latter, St. Marguerite, is acidulous from the carbonic acid it contains, has a temperature of 52° Fahr., and is an agreeable drink mixed with milk or wine. The thermal sources are LE GRAND BAIN (108°), the SOURCE OF CÆSAR (113°), the FOUNTAIN CAROLINE (107°), the BAIN RAYMOND (109°), the RIGNY (109°), and the MADELEINE (114°). The ingredients in the different waters only vary in quantity; consisting of the *carbonates of soda and lime, chloride of sodium, sulphate of soda*, with mere traces of *iron and alumina*. They all contain an excess of *carbonic acid*. The Madeleine spring is also strongly arsenical.

Besides drinking the waters, most invalids employ warm bathing. The effect is to increase the perspiration; and at the end of a few days to produce "the bath-fever" (lassitude, depression, constipation, &c.), which soon passes off. The invalids who will derive benefit from a visit to Mont d'Or are such as have chronic pulmonary catarrh, some kinds of asthma, rheumatism, and congestion of the liver. Mischief will result to persons of a languid circulation, and such as have a tendency to hæmorrhage.

The season is from the middle of July to the end of August; but the waters should not be used for more than a fortnight, on account of their exciting properties. The visitors who drink them, take three or four glasses daily.

#### 481. *Néris, in Central France.*

The thermal springs of Néris are resorted to, from May until October, for the purpose of drinking the waters and bathing in them. There are four wells; the temperature of the waters at their source being about 120° Fahr. They are insipid and oily; containing only

small proportions of *carbonic acid*, *bicarbonate of soda*, *sulphate of soda*, and *chloride of sodium*. *Confervæ* grow feebly in the basins. These waters are recommended in cases of nervous and hysterical excitement, in rheumatism, and prurigo.

#### 482. *St. Galmier, in Central France.*

These waters, owing to their richness in *carbonic acid gas*, are agreeable whether taken pure or mixed with wine; while they have the property of hastening digestion, increasing the appetite, and augmenting absorption from the alimentary canal. The chief salts in them are the *bicarbonates of lime and magnesia*.

The St. Galmier waters are cold, and resemble Seltzer water. They are in common use at Lyons; being deemed useful in gastric affections, and for preventing the formation of urinary calculi.

#### 483. *Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen), in Rhenish Prussia.*

This town, in which Charlemagne was born and in which he died in 814, about 43 miles W.S.W. of Cologne, is situated in a valley between the Rhine and Maas rivers, and is surrounded by well-wooded hills. It is 450 feet above the sea level. There are eight principal springs,—six thermal and slightly sulphurous, and two cold chalybeate. Their therapeutical effects are due to the high temperature of the water (varying from 111° to 131° Fahr.) and the *sulphur* and *chloride of sodium* contained in it. The latter salt is found in the proportion of about twenty grains to the 16 ounces; while the sulphuret of sodium varies from three-quarters to a quarter of a grain. Of the gaseous constituents the sulphuretted hydrogen is the most active, although it is only present in small quantity. The ELISENBRUNNEN is the principal drinking fountain; its exceedingly unpleasant water being derived through subterranean pipes from the hottest and strongest of the sources—the KAISERBAD. Very rarely the chalybeate springs are employed as an “after-cure;” but they have little power, one containing half, and the others three-quarters of a grain of iron in the sixteen ounces, with some carbonic acid.

In doses of a few glasses these clear transparent waters do not produce much appreciable effect; their chief use being externally—as vapour baths, douches, shampooing, &c. The baths have considerable reputation for curing scrofula, skin diseases (acne, psoriasis, and prurigo), hepatic and renal complaints, chronic gout and rheumatism, functional derangements of the uterine organs, rebellious ulcers, and the ill effects produced by the use of mercury or lead. In cases of long-standing stiffness about the joints, as well as in sprains, the rubbing and kneading and stretching of the muscles and articulations which are employed prove very efficacious. The springs are to be avoided where there is any tendency to cerebral, pulmonary, gastric, or uterine hæmorrhage. A course of the baths lasts from four to six weeks. The season begins early in June, and ends about the middle of September.

At BORCETTE, or BURTSCHIED, a suburb of Aix, there are several bath establishments. The thermal springs are divided into the sulphurous and non-sulphurous. The most important of the former is the *Trinkquelle*; the water of which contains chloride of sodium, with

*sulphate and carbonate of soda*, and has a temperature of 140° Fahr. The *Kochbrunnen* is the most used of the non-sulphurous springs. The waters of Borcette are recommended for the same class of cases as is sent to Aix. The advantage of the former place over the latter is, that it affords a much cheaper residence.

#### 484. *Kreuznach, in Rhenish Prussia.*

The rather nauseous and bitter waters of this Spa have a considerable reputation for the cure of uterine diseases, as well as of most scrofulous affections. The chief waters are those of the ELIZABETH BRUNNEN, having a temperature of 54·50° Fahr. They contain about 90 grains of solid constituents in 16 ounces:—chiefly,—*chloride of sodium* (73), *chloride of calcium* (13), *chloride of magnesium* (4), *bromide of magnesium* ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ), *oxide of iron* ( $\frac{1}{8}$ ), with a trace of *iodide of magnesium*, &c. The KARLSHALLER WATER has a temperature of 59°, and 75 grains of salts in the 16 ounces; the THEODORSHALLE 70·25°, and 87 grains; while for the chief well of MUNSTER the numbers are 81·50°, with from 64 to 76 grains.

In drinking the waters it is better to begin with small quantities, which may be drunk pure or mixed with hot milk. The baths are generally taken tepid; “mother lye” (the brownish glutinous liquid left in the boiling pans, after the salt has been crystallized and removed) being added to the water, in proportions suitable to the requirements of each case. In uterine affections, fomentations and vaginal injections are employed in addition to the baths.

The Kreuznach waters have proved valuable in congestions of the uterine organs, as well as in chronic inflammatory affections of these parts, in hypertrophy and induration, in uterine displacements, and in derangements of the menstrual functions. DR. PRIEGER, who has had very great experience in the use of these waters, told the Author that he had never seen a true fibroid tumour of the uterus absorbed through their influence; but when such a growth was oedematous or congested, the waters relieved these complications. Hypertrophies of the mammary glands, cases of chronic skin disease, as well as scrofulous ulcers, are oft-times benefited by these waters.

The season extends from the end of April until the beginning of October. The stay which a patient should make may vary from six to eight weeks.

The springs of NAUHEIM, a village of Hessen-Cassel, resemble those of Kreuznach, except that they contain rather more *chloride of sodium*, only a trace of *bromide of magnesium*, and none of the iodide of magnesium. There is also an abundance of *carbonic acid*; and the temperature of the four chief springs varies from 72° to 92° Fahr. The waters are drunk and used as baths; while, like those of Kreuznach, they are recommended for all strumous affections.

#### 485. *Neuenahr, in Rhenish Prussia.*

This village, in the mild and picturesque valley of the Ahr, is easily reached from Cologne. Of the springs, the Victoria is the best. MR. MILLER, the late Professor of Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, says that it is the richest of all known brunnens in carbonic acid. It furnishes some 29,792 cubic feet of water daily; an analysis of which has shown the presence of small quantities of bicarbonate of soda.

*sulphate of soda, chloride of sodium, bicarbonate of magnesia, bicarbonate of lime, protoxide of iron and alumina, silica, and free carbonic acid.*

The waters are taken internally and applied externally. The dose is from two to five tumblerfuls, early in the morning; with half the quantity in the evening. The temperature of the water is between 78° and 80° Fahr., and the taste is pungent and pleasant, resembling—as an English valet said—“Seltzer water with the chill off.” The best time for the bath is two or three hours after breakfast; the temperature of the water being about 88°, and the time for remaining in it twenty minutes. When the invalid is acclimatized, the douche may be used if needful.

The waters are tonic and anti-rheumatic; acting especially on the mucous membranes and the glandular system. They are useful in simple dyspepsia, diminished secretion of bile, irritability of the bladder with excess of uric acid in the urine, chronic gout and rheumatism, asthma complicated with organic disease, chronic affections of the larynx or bronchi, eczema and prurigo, and chronic uterine maladies.—In a person apparently healthy DR. WEIDGEN found that the use of the waters was followed by these effects:—A sense of warmth in the stomach soon after drinking; exhilaration; increased flow of urine; increased appetite; and increased salivary and bronchial secretions. After a week the bowels were affected; copious, soft, bilious evacuations being produced. The urine became neutral, but never alkaline.

#### 486. *Ems, Duchy of Nassau.*

Ems, or Bad-Ems (as the Spa is called, to distinguish it from the old village or Dorf-Ems), lies on the right bank of the Lahn, enclosed in a narrow valley between high mountains, 15 miles N. of Wiesbaden. Ems is 290 feet above the sea-level. The air is mild: the situation attractive. There are several springs. The waters are alkaline, saline, and gaseous; while the temperature varies from 86° Fahr. to 133°. The chief constituents are *carbonate of soda, chloride of sodium, and carbonate of magnesia*; with small quantities of *carbonate of lime, iron, manganese, potash, and lithia*. Their action is that of a mild alterative, diuretic, and laxative; and they are believed to favourably influence all catarrhal affections of the mucous membranes.

The principal drinking springs are the KRAENCHENBRUNNEN and the KESSELBRUNNEN. The waters of the former are clear, odourless, have a temperature of 80°, and leave a soapy taste owing to the soda they contain. According to STRUVE each 16 ounces contains 15½ cubic inches of free carbonic acid gas. The Kesselbrunnen or Kurbrunnen waters give out more carbonic acid, and are 118°. The dose is from one to six beakers, each holding about 4 oz. In many cases it is an improvement to add one-third part of goats' or asses' milk to the measure.

The waters are also employed externally, the baths being partly filled overnight to lower the temperature. The BUBENQUELLE (boy's spring), 117°, is used as a vaginal douche; and is in repute for the cure of sterility due to uterine and vaginal leucorrhœa, or to inflammatory affections of the cervix uteri.

The waters generally are recommended in chronic bronchial and pulmonary affections, with irritable cough but without profuse secretion, in the dyspepsia of such as have only a tendency to phthisis, as well as

in eczema and prurigo. For the relief of the lithic-acid diathesis they are valuable, but less so than those of Vichy. For drinking and bathing, French and German visitors usually resort to Ems in June. The best months are May, June, September, and October. Our own countrymen, however, seem to prefer July and August; though the narrowness of the valley in which this bath is situated causes the air to be very oppressive and relaxing during these two months.

The mineral springs of FACHINGEN, a village 9 miles E.N.E. of Nassau, on the Lahn, resemble those of Ems, the *carbonate of soda* and *carbonic acid* being present in rather larger proportions. The waters form an agreeable antacid drink in some forms of dyspepsia.

#### 487. *Selters, in Nassau.*

This village, in a pleasant valley 37 miles N. of Wiesbaden, is everywhere famous for its mineral springs; an enormous quantity of Seltzer water being annually exported. Selters is 800 feet above the sea-level.

The water has a temperature of 60° Fahr., and contains much more than its volume of carbonic acid gas. It has about 32 grains of solids in the sixteen ounces; chiefly *chloride of sodium* (18), and *carbonate of soda* (9), with minute quantities of *sulphate of soda, lime, magnesia, and iron*. Seltzer water stimulates the stomach; and is a grateful, antacid, slightly alterative drink.

*Apollinaris* water, somewhat richer in saline ingredients, but otherwise similar in all its properties to Seltzer water, and very agreeable as a drink, has lately been most extensively used.

#### 488. *Schwalbach and Schlangenbad, in Nassau.*

SCHWALBACH or LANGENSCHWALBACH, 8 miles N.W. of Wiesbaden, consists of one long street, in the middle of which is the Kursaal. The climate is bracing; the altitude is 900 feet. The gaseous chalybeate waters, with a temperature of 50° Fahr., owe their invigorating properties to *carbonate of iron*, which is held in solution by an excess of *carbonic acid*. They also contain a small amount of the *bicarbonate of soda, magnesia, and lime*. The chief springs are—the WEINBRUNNEN, near the Kursaal, which contains most iron, and is believed to counteract the evils arising from excessive indulgence in wine; the PAULINENBRUNNEN, the mildest, which was formerly used by invalids from tropical climates with torpid livers, but which appeared to be deserted in 1867; the ROSENBRUNNEN, only employed externally, the baths being heated by steam to 86° or 90°; and the STAHLBRUNNEN, in the northern valley, which is the most exciting of the springs. The waters are drunk fasting, to the amount of one to three glasses, twice a day; and they may be strongly recommended in cases of impaired strength where a ferruginous tonic is indicated, as well as in those examples of dyspepsia and constipation which are due to a torpid and anæmic condition of the walls of the alimentary canal. The bath should be taken about two hours after breakfast, omitting its use every third or fourth day. The best time for a visit to Schwalbach is from the middle of June until the end of August.

Rather more than two miles from Schwalbach, in a pleasant valley, with romantic environs, is SCHLANGENBAD. The climate is pure and

bracing; the height above the sea being 930 feet. As a Spa, Sch bad is of insignificant value, owing to the small amount of solutents—only a few grains of *carbonate of soda*, *lime*, and *magnesian common salt*—in the waters. Warm saline and mud baths are the visitors; such amusements being in repute for softening and whitening ("satinizing") the skin, and for allaying nervous irritation. The season lasts from the beginning of June until September.

#### 489. Wiesbaden, in Nassau.

Wiesbaden, the capital of the Duchy of Nassau, lies on the slope of the Taunus mountains, 5 miles N.N.W. of Mayence. It is the most frequented of the watering-places in Germany. The season lasts from June until September, but it is very hot in July and August. Owing to the shelter afforded by the several peaks of the Taunus, the autumnal and winter climate is good.

There are some eighteen or twenty thermal springs, but only one of much importance. This, the KOCHBRUNNEN, rising nearly in the centre of the town, appears literally to resemble a boiling well. Its temperature varies from 150° to 160° Fahr., volumes of vapour being emitted, and the water contains some 63 grains of solids in the 16 ounces. The salts are *chloride of sodium* (52½); with small quantities of *potash*, *lime*, *iron*, *magnesia*, *arseniate of lime*, *bromide of sodium*, &c. The *carbonic acid gas* is one-fifth of the bulk of the water. FRANCIS HEAD and DR. GRANVILLE compare the taste to that of chicken broth slightly salted. Taken in a dose of three or four ounces, cooled, before breakfast, it has a slightly laxative and diuretic effect, and increases the appetite. As baths, at a temperature varying from 86° to 98°, about two hours after a light breakfast, the waters are found to be somewhat soothing, while they increase the action of the skin and the circulation.

The cases in which these waters are likely to prove valuable are chronic gout and rheumatism, hepatic congestion with hæmorrhage, and chronic skin diseases connected with abdominal plethora. They will be injurious in debility, in congestion of the uterine or ovarian system, or where there is a tendency to apoplexy or any other form of cerebral derangement. The invalid may know that they disagree, when prostrated by indigestion, appetite, constipation, irritability, and palpitations are produced, when the doses give rise to a feeling of disgust, especially if they have been previously regarded as rather agreeable. The course should not extend beyond four or five weeks. The country in the neighbourhood of Wiesbaden is charming.

#### 490. Soden, in Nassau.

The waters of Soden, in the Taunus, near Frankfort, are saline and gaseous, issuing from twenty-three springs, scattered throughout the neighbourhood. Their temperature varies from 64° to 74° Fahr.

The most important springs are,—the MILCHBRUNNEN, containing 16 grains of solids in the 16 ounces; 17 grains being *chloride of sodium*, with 17 cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*. The WARMBRUNNEN has 35 grains of solids, 26 of which are *chloride of sodium*; the *carbonic acid gas* being 35 cubic inches. The WILHELMBRUNNEN has 117 grains of salts, 104 being *chloride of sodium*, and 13 cubic inches of gas. Whilst the SOOLBRUNNEN has 129 grains of solids, 104 being *chloride of sodium*, and 13 cubic inches of gas, which consist of the same salt that predominates in the others, with 14 cubic inches of gas.—Where alterative aperients are

these waters may perhaps be recommended. They are deemed useful in pulmonary, strumous, gouty, and uterine affections.

One advantage possessed by Soden is the presence of the two ferruginous springs of KRONTHAL; so that the visitor having employed the alteratives of the first Spa, may strengthen the system with the mild chalybeates of the Stahlquelle or Wilhelmsquelle. The climate of Kronthal is useful in chronic bronchial affections.

#### 491. *Homburg, in Nassau.*

Homburg lies about nine miles north-west of Frankfort; being 660 feet above the sea-level. The air is invigorating and bracing during the months of June, July, and August; but it is injurious to such as have delicate lungs, owing to the temperature being very variable. There are four cold (about 50° Fahr.) muriated mineral springs; all rising near each other in the park or Kurgarten. The most frequented is the ELISABETHQUELLE, containing about 110 grains of salt in the 16 ounces, and being strongly charged with carbonic acid (48 cubic inches). The chief salts are *chloride of sodium* (79), the *chlorides of magnesium and calcium* (15), and *carbonate of lime* (11); with small quantities of *carbonate of magnesia*, *sulphate of soda*, *carbonate of iron*, and *silica*. The KAISERQUELLE has more *chloride of sodium* (117), more *chloride of calcium*, and a little more *iron*. The STAHLQUELLE has the same amount of common salt as the Elizabeth spring, but is more ferruginous than either of the others; while the LUDWIGSQUELLE is weak in almost all its constituents. The flavour of all the waters is refreshing, saltish, somewhat bitter, and ferruginous.

Gout, dyspeptic and other derangements of the abdominal viscera, strumous enlargements of the external glands and mesentery, debility of the reproductive organs, constipation, obesity, and hypochondriasis are the diseases most likely to be benefited. From two to four tumblerfuls of the waters are taken fasting during three or four weeks. Though chiefly used internally, there are baths, douches, &c.

#### 492. *Baden-Baden, in Grand Duchy of Baden.*

This renowned Spa, rather more than 600 feet above the sea, in one of the most delightful valleys of the Black Forest, about six miles from the Rhine, has 16 weak saline springs, the temperature of which varies from 117° to 161° Fahr. The chief spring, and the only one demanding notice, is the URSPRUNG; which has a transparent, inodorous, saltish water. Its chemical constituents are merely about 23 grains to the 16 ounces, 18 grains being *chloride of sodium*. There are also 2½ grains of *sulphate of lime*, about 1-10th of a grain of *carbonate of iron*, with less than half a cubic inch of *carbonic acid*. Recent analyses have shown the presence of *lithia*, in greater abundance than in any other springs.

Though their efficacy must be slight, these waters are often taken internally. Some drinkers add goat's milk to them or whey, or aperient salts. But they are chiefly to be employed where simple hot baths are needed, while the invalid is enjoying beautiful scenery, in pure mild air. They may be recommended in chronic gout and rheumatism, dyspepsia from overwork, nervous affections, &c. The season lasts from the beginning of May until the 1st of October.

The waters of WILDBAD, about thirty miles from Baden-Baden, and situated in the kingdom of Würtemberg, contain only 4 grains of salts in the 16 ounces, and have a temperature varying from 86° to 98° Fahr. Where hot baths and douches are needed in chronic paralysis, rheumatism, &c., a six weeks' sojourn at Wildbad may perhaps be recommended. The climate is very bleak from November until May; and then in the four succeeding fashionable months the heat is most oppressive. Wildbad is some 1,820 feet above the sea.

#### 493. Kissingen, in Bavaria.

Kissingen, one of the most fashionable watering-places of Germany, is situated in a fertile valley, about 80 miles N.N.E. of Würzburg. Its height above the sea-level is some 800 feet. The tonic, laxative, and alterative waters are all cold (about 52° Fahr.) The most important spring is the RAGOCZY, containing 65 grains of solids in the 16 ounces, according to LIEBIG, with 41 cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*. The principal salts are *chloride of sodium* (45), *carbonate of lime* (8), *sulphate of magnesia* (4), *chlorides of potassium and magnesium* (5), with minute quantities of *chloride of lithium*, *bromide* and *iodide of sodium*, and *carbonate of iron*. The waters of the PANDURBRUNNEN have rather a smaller amount of solids; while those of the MAXBRUNNEN and of the THERESIENBRUNNEN are very much weaker, and contain no iron.

The Ragoczy spring is most used early in the morning, from three to six glasses being taken. In the evening the milder waters of the Pandur are preferred. The effect is to quicken the circulation, and to stimulate the secretions of the mucous membranes generally, but especially those of the alimentary canal. Hence they are valuable in habitual constipation, congestion of the liver or kidneys, in dyspeptic eructations or flatulence, and in strumous enlargements of the glands. They may also do good in threatened tubercular diseases of the mesenteric glands. Gouty and calculous cases also derive benefit.

The baths are prepared from the waters of the wells just named, some of the "mother water" of the SOOLENSPRUDEL being frequently added. This spring has a temperature of 62°; and contains 187 grains of solids in the 16 oz., upwards of 100 consisting of *chloride of sodium*. The astonishing flux and reflux of the Sprudel, some eight or nine times a day, is one of the sights of the town.

About 4½ miles from Kissingen is the Spa of BOCKLET, in Bavaria, which contains several chalybeate and a weak sulphur spring. The temperature of the waters is about 52°; while there is rather more than half a grain of *carbonate of iron* in the 16 oz., with 39 cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*. They also contain a small amount of the *sulphates of soda and magnesia*, *chloride of sodium*, *carbonate of lime*, &c. Independently of the constant interchange of visitors between Kissingen and Bocklet, the baths of the latter (especially the "douche ascendante") have a considerable reputation for the cure of sterility, and for breaking off the tendency to habitual abortion. Bocklet is 620 feet above the sea.

BRÜCKENAU, in Bavaria, is also only a few hours' drive from Kissingen. The waters contain scarcely any salts, but have about a quarter of a grain of *iron* in the 16 oz., with at least 85½ cubic inches of *carbonic*



*acid gas*. Their temperature is 49°. They are often employed by those who after going through a course of the solvent waters of Kissingen, require a pure mild tonic.

The *ADELHEIDSQUELLE* is a well-known salt water spring, found at the small village of Heilbrunn, in Bavaria. Prettily situated, not many miles from Munich, this village is said to be 2,400 feet above the level of the Mediterranean. The well affords a comparatively small supply of water, which has a temperature of 50° Fahr. It contains 47 grains of solids in the 16 ounces; upwards of 38 grains consisting of *chloride of sodium*, with 6 grains of *carbonate of soda*. There are also small quantities of iodide and bromide of sodium, silica, &c. The alterative effect of these waters renders them useful in all kinds of scrofulous affections. The season is from the early part of May until the end of September. The accommodation for visitors is scanty.

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#### 494. *Gastein, in Austria.*

A few hours' drive from Salzburg is the village of Gastein, in the most beautiful part of the Tyrol. It is one of the highest baths in Europe, being 3,200 feet above the Mediterranean. The houses are grouped round the edge of the mountain torrent Ache, which here forms a splendid waterfall. The bracing Alpine air is invigorating for such as have strong lungs, but the climate is often too raw and unsettled for the delicate invalid to depend upon it. Mean annual temperature 47° Fahr. July and August are the season months.

There are six or eight very weak thermal springs, having the same chemical composition, but varying in temperature from 95° to 118°. In 16 oz. of water there are only 2.68 grs. of solids, *sulphate of soda* being the chief (1.51). The waters, after cooling to about 90°, are used as baths, and are said to stimulate the nervous system. It seems certain that the prematurely old, the hypochondriac, the paralytic, and the sufferer from chronic rheumatism, derive benefit.

The waters of *TEPLITZ*, in Bohemia, very much resemble those of Gastein, as regards temperature and chemical power. They contain only about 4.64 grains of solids in the 16 oz.; the *carbonates of soda and lime*, with *sulphate of soda*, being the chief ingredients. The baths are used in gouty and paralytic affections, as well as in rheumatoid arthritis, chronic disease of the spine and large joints, and functional derangements of the uterine organs. The town lies in a fertile valley, 640 feet above the sea; the environs are remarkable for their beauty; while the climate is healthy and genial.

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#### 495. *Friedrichshall, in Saxe-Meiningen.*

This place has long been noted for the manufacture of Glauber's salts and common salt. Of late years the purgative waters have acquired a high reputation, more especially for cases where it is necessary to promote excretion from the liver, kidneys, and bowels.

The bitter saline water of Friedrichshall is bright and clear, of a light yellowish tinge, free from smell, and possessing a salt bitter flavour. According to *LIEBIG's* analysis (made in 1847) it contains about 194

grs. of solids in the 16 ounces, with 5.32 cubic inches of carbonic acid gas. The chief ingredients are chloride of sodium (61), sulphate of soda (46), sulphate of magnesia (39), chloride of magnesium (30), sulphate of lime (10), with small proportions of sulphate of potash, carbonate of magnesia, bromide of magnesium, carbonate of lime, and silica.—The dose is from three ounces to a pint or a pint and a half, according to the aperient effect required. Large quantities of this water are exported annually to different parts of Europe.

#### 496. Carlsbad, in Bohemia.

This town occupies the bottom of a narrow winding valley, on the banks of the Töpl, 70 miles W.N.W. of Prague. The season extends from the beginning of June until the end of September; but the month of May is very quiet and pleasant and healthy, although the mornings are often cold. The "cure" generally occupies from five to six weeks. Carlsbad is 1,200 feet above the sea.

There are several important springs, chiefly differing from each other only in temperature. The most important is the SPRUDEL; the waters of which bound upwards for four or five feet, and then fall back in foam, while giving off clouds of vapour. The temperature is about 165° Fahr., and there are some 45 grs. of solids in the 16 oz. The principal salts are sulphate of soda (20), sulphate of potash (9), chloride of sodium (8), and carbonate of lime (2); with small quantities of carbonate of soda, carbonate of iron, phosphate of alumina and silica. The carbonic acid gas is nearly 8 cubic inches.—The SCHLOSSBRUNNEN contain only half the amount of sulphate of soda, double the quantity of carbonic acid gas, and have a temperature of 123°. The heat of the waters of the THERESIENBRUNNEN is 131°, and as regards important ingredients may be said to resemble the Schlossbrunnen. The MARKTBRUNNEN differ from the others principally in containing a little iodide and bromide of sodium. The temperature is 130°.

The waters are chiefly taken internally, early in the morning and again in the evening. The dose varies from one or two glasses to ten or twelve; according to the stimulating and alterative and aperient effects on the digestive organs and abdominal viscera generally, which it is desirable to produce. The cases most benefited are,—liver and abdominal diseases, diabetes, gouty and rheumatic disorders, calculous affections, and hypochondriasis with dyspepsia and constipation. The waters are also useful in rheumatoid arthritis, sciatica, and in jaundice from obstruction by gallstones. Old Indians, with enlarged livers, often derive remarkable relief. Baths of the cooled mineral water are now but seldom resorted to, though for one hundred and fifty years invalids only visited Carlsbad for the purpose of bathing. Sometimes the peat soil from the neighbourhood, mixed with Sprudel water, is used as a poultice, &c.

#### 497. Marienbad, in Bohemia.

Marienbad, in the territory of the abbey of Töpl and the district of Eger in Bohemia, is about five hours' drive from Carlsbad. The air is pure and dry, but changes in temperature take place rapidly owing to the height of the village—1,912 feet above the level of the North Sea.

The season lasts from the commencement of May until the end of September.

There are several cold (from 43° to 50° Fahr.) saline chalybeate springs; the chief constituent being sulphate of soda, with a moderate quantity of iron and carbonic acid. The waters when drawn are quite clear, but as the gas escapes they become turbid from deposition of the carbonates. The KREUZBRUNN—the principal spring—has 69 grains of solids in the 16 oz., with 8½ cubic inches of carbonic acid gas. The chief salts are sulphate of soda (38), chloride of sodium (13), carbonate of soda (9), and carbonate of magnesia (3); with small quantities of the carbonates of lime, lithia, iron, manganese, &c. The FERDINANDSBRUNN has nearly the same solid ingredients, but with nearly 14 cubic inches of carbonic acid gas. The WALBRUNN is much weaker in sulphate of soda (7), and common salt (3), but its proportion of carbonic acid gas is 18½ cubic inches. The waters of these brunnen are all used for drinking. The CAROLINENBRUNN has only 11 grs. of solids in the 16 oz., sulphate of soda being the chief; but there are 15½ cubic inches of carbonic acid gas. The AMBROSIUSBRUNN is still weaker (7 grs. in 16 oz.), with 13 inches of gas; while the MARIENBRUNN has scarcely any salts (2 grs. in 16 oz.), with 9 cubic inches of carbonic acid gas. The well of the Marienbrunn is used only for water and gas baths; but the Caroline and Ambrosius waters are employed internally as well as externally.

The effect of the Marienbad waters is laxative, alterative, and tonic, in proportion to the dose (from one to six tumblerfuls); while they increase the action of the liver and kidneys, and promote appetite. Hence they are particularly valuable in chronic disorders of the abdominal viscera. The mud baths and poultices are made with the Marienbad water mixed with a black mineral pulverulent substance, brought from a neighbouring peat bed. They stimulate the skin, heal chronic ulcers, and disperse glandular swellings. The gas baths (carbonic acid with a small amount of sulphuretted hydrogen) soothe muscular and neuralgic pains, remove torpor of the female sexual organs, and generally tranquillize the nervous system.

The bitter saline waters of PÜLLNA, in Bohemia, are very nauseous and indigestible, while they possess no advantages over the ordinary preparations sold by the chemist. Their chief ingredients are sulphate of magnesia (96 grains in the 16 oz.), sulphate of potash (82), sulphate of soda (12), chloride of magnesium (16), carbonate of magnesia (6) with sulphate of lime, carbonate of lime, and bromide of magnesium. Püllna water is largely exported.

#### 498. Eger, in Bohemia.

This frontier town stands on the right bank of the Eger, 92 miles W. of Prague. In the district, some three miles off, is the Spa of FRANZENSBAD. The tonic solvent waters of this spring have a refreshing acidulous taste, a temperature of 52° F., with 42 grains of solids in the 16 oz. The chief of these are sulphate of soda (24), chloride of sodium (9), and carbonate of soda (6); together with the carbonates of magnesia, lime, iron, lithia, manganese, and strontia, and 40 cubic inches of carbonic acid gas.

The waters of the Franzensbad and other wells are taken internally and employed as baths. They strengthen the nervous system, improve indigestion, stimulate the circulation, relieve bronchial affections, and

act powerfully on the uterine organs. Mud and gas baths are especially in favour. The boggy earth is sifted free from foreign matters, and converted into black mud; which is heated to 100°, and which contains sulphate of soda, iron, lime, alumina, and ulmic acid. In this mineralized mud the body is immersed for fifteen minutes, when the patient transfers himself to a plain water bath to remove the dirt. The treatment is said not to be disagreeable; and it may perhaps prove beneficial in chronic skin diseases, indolent ulcerations, old rheumatic affections, gouty deposits, and in paralysis without active disease of the nervous centres. The gas baths are considered as specifics for the cure of scrofulous ulcers.

#### 499. *Aix-les-Bains, in Savoy.*

This beautiful and sheltered town, 788 feet above the sea, may be reached by railway from Paris in about fifteen hours. The climate is mild but yet bracing, and is especially adapted to invalids from April until October. There are two chief springs; but as they are only slightly mineralized, the effects which they produce must chiefly be due to their temperature—about 116° Fahr. The SULPHUR SPRING contains but little more than 3 grains of salts in the 16 oz., with a small quantity of carbonic acid and sulphuretted hydrogen gas. The ALUM SPRING, so-called on the *lucus à non lucendo* principle, since it contains no alum appreciable to the senses, has the same composition minus the sulphuretted hydrogen.

The waters are chiefly used externally, and especially in the form of douches. They are valuable in chronic rheumatism, sciatica, rigidity of tendons or muscles after sprains and contusions, chronic skin affections, diseases of the bones, nervous disorders, &c.

#### 500. *Baths of Switzerland.*

LEUK or LOUËCHE, on the Rhone, stands a little to the left of the high road passing through the Valais to the Simplon, and is nearly 4,500 feet above the sea. There are twenty-three thermal mineral springs, varying in temperature from 95° to 124° Fahr. The latter is the heat of the St. Laurent or Lorenzquelle. All the waters have the same composition, the solid constituents being about 15 grs. in the 16 oz. The chief salt is the *sulphate of lime* (nearly 13), with small quantities of the *sulphates of magnesia*, and *soda*, &c. It is the custom to bathe in common: there being four public piscinæ, each about a yard deep, and each capable of accommodating some forty bathers, with their small floating tables. On the first day the patient remains an hour in the water, clothed in a long flannel gown; the duration being daily increased till it extends to four or five hours in the morning, and for a shorter period again in the afternoon. About the twelfth day, an erythematous rash called the *poussée* appears over the body, with prickling sensations of heat, and febrile symptoms; its disappearance being followed by desquamation of the cuticle. The duration of the bath is then gradually diminished by half an hour daily, until the cure is complete in some twenty-five or thirty days from the commencement. This peculiar practice is recommended in cases of scrofula, enlargements of the liver or spleen, chronic gout and rheumatism, obstinate eczema

and psoriasis, old wounds and ulcers, calculous affections, &c. The season is from May until October.

**PFEFFERS**, in the Canton of St. Gallen in the Grisons, is in a wild and sombre dell. It is 2,115 feet above the sea. The feeble thermal water is conducted down the romantic glen of the Tamina by wooden tubes, to the hotel and bathing-house at Ragatz in the valley of the Rhine. The salts in the waters are scarcely equal to 2 grains in the 16 oz.; the chief being the *sulphates of soda and lime*, with *chloride of sodium* and *carbonate of lime*. The temperature is nearly 100° Fahr. The bath is used twice a day, for about half an hour each time; and is useful in calming nervous irritability, and in relieving neuralgia, hysteria, &c. The waters are also used for drinking,—from four to eight tumblerfuls. The invalid should be advised to reside at Ragatz rather than at Pfeffers, which generally has a cheerless and sunless aspect. When, however, the fall of snow during the preceding winter has been less than usual, the supply from the hot spring is so diminished in quantity, that sufficient water cannot be conveyed to Ragatz. The season lasts from the beginning of June until the end of September.

**TARASP**, on the right shore of the Inn in the Grisons, has cold gaseous springs somewhat resembling those of Marienbad. There are numerous wells, having their source in a rocky hollow some 4,300 feet above the sea. The chief are the Grosse Quelle and the Kleine Quelle, their composition being similar, and their temperature 45° Fahr. Their salts (95 grs. in the 16 oz.) consist of *chloride of sodium* (29), *carbonate of soda* (27), *sulphate of soda* (16), and *carbonate of lime* (12), with small quantities of the *carbonates of magnesia* and *iron*, *iodide of sodium*, *sulphate of potash*, &c. The *carbonic acid gas* is 32 cubic inches. These aperient and resolvent waters are useful in plethora of the abdominal viscera, and in incipient phthisis.

**ST. MORITZ**, Upper Engadin, Grisons, lies 5,863 feet above the sea, in a valley surrounded by high mountains, close to large glaciers. This height will be better appreciated by remembering that Ben Nevis, in Inverness-shire, is 4,380 feet high, and Snowdon, in Caernarvonshire, 3,571. The village of St. Moritz is about a mile and a half from the baths; the waters of which are strongly chalybeate, with a large amount of free carbonic acid. They are taken internally and used as baths. The air is cold and bracing and stimulating; there are sudden changes of wind. In July, at night, the thermometer is often as low as 31° Fahr. The average temperature during January and February is 14°. The mean barometric pressure at the Kurhaus is 24 inches (on the English coast it is 30). The removal of one-fifth of the atmospheric pressure gives lightness and elasticity to the physical and mental feelings. The air is suitable to such as have a sluggish circulation and unexcitable nervous system. In the early stage of phthisis benefit has accrued from a residence in the neighbourhood of St. Moritz, even during winter. When accommodation cannot be got at St. Moritz, it may usually be obtained at one of the villages in the valley—at Samaden, Pontresina, or Silva-Plana. The Bernina Hotel, at Samaden, is open all the year round. **DR. BERRY**, at St. Moritz, receives patients. **DR. W. BAYES** has strongly recommended (*Medical Times and Gazette*, p. 400, London, October 8, 1868) St. Moritz as a winter residence for cases where steady cold and extreme tenuity of air are indicated.

**BADEN**, a few miles from Zurich, on the left bank of the Limmat, has several thermal gaseous springs. The temperature of the waters ranges from  $117^{\circ}$  to  $122^{\circ}$  Fahr., and the salts are in the proportion of 34 grs. to the 16 oz. The principal are, *chloride of sodium* (13), *sulphate of lime* (10), smaller quantities of the *carbonates of lime* and of *magnesia* and of *strontia*, *sulphate of soda*, and the *chlorides of potassium* and *magnesium*, &c. There are 22 cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*, 125 of *nitrogen*, and an odour of *sulphuretted hydrogen*. The action of these waters is chiefly diuretic and constipating. They are recommended in gouty and rheumatic diseases, in chronic diarrhœa with congestion of the bowels, and in incipient phthisis. They are used internally, and externally as baths and douches. The climate of Baden being mild invalids often remain throughout the winter.

**BIRMENS DORF** has bitter purgative waters resembling those of Püllna. They are cold ( $46^{\circ}$  Fahr.), have only traces of carbonic acid gas, and their solid constituents slightly exceed 5 grs. in the 16 oz. They are used principally for exportation.

**SCHINZNACH**, in the canton of Aargau, in a valley through which flows the Aar, five miles from Baden, is well known for its saline sulphurous thermal spring. The temperature of the waters is about  $94^{\circ}$  Fahr., the solid constituents being nearly 15 grs. in the 16 oz., with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*, and rather less of *sulphuretted hydrogen*. The chief salts are, *chloride of sodium* (5), *sulphate of lime* (4), *sulphate of magnesia* (2), *carbonate of lime* (1), *sulphate of soda* (1), with minute quantities of *carbonate of magnesia*, *alumina*, and *silicic acid*. The invalids both drink and bathe; the baths being used for twenty minutes at first, and afterwards for a longer time if necessary. The *poussé* is milder but appears more quickly than at Leuk. The waters have a reputation for relieving strumous and rheumatic affections, for curing skin diseases, and for healing callous spongy ulcers. The season lasts from the middle of May to the end of September. The climate is mild. Schinznach lies 1060 feet above the sea level.

**WILDEGG**, close to Schinznach, has been gaining repute for some few years as an iodated and bromated Spa. The spring rises through an artesian well. The supply of water is scanty. The analysis of Dr. LAUE shows the solid contents in 16 ounces to be 110 grains. The chief are, *chloride of sodium* (80), *chloride of magnesium* (12), *sulphate of lime* (14), with *iodide of sodium*, *bromide of sodium*, *chloride of strontium*, &c. There are nearly  $2\frac{1}{2}$  cubic inches of *carbonic acid gas*. These waters are recommended in strumous diseases, and in chronic glandular swellings.

THE END.







